



COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022

The Columbia City Council met on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:04 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 Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda subject to adding an executive session discussion on the City's CDBG - Disaster Recovery Program to **Item 42** and clarifying that the cost for **Item 9** is being split 50/50 between the City of Columbia and Richland County.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No one appeared at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Council is asked to approve the November 15, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes. -
Approved

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve the November 15, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.



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HONORARY STREET NAMING RESOLUTION

2. Resolution No.: R-2022-099 - Approving the Honorary Naming of the intersection of Blanding Street and Assembly Street “Judge L. Casey Manning Court” - *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Ms. Herbert and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-099 - Approving the Honorary Naming of the intersection of Blanding Street and Assembly Street “Judge L. Casey Manning Court”.

PRESENTATIONS

3. The Cooperative Ministry 40th Anniversary Proclamation - The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor and the members of City Council presented a proclamation in celebration of the 40th Anniversary of The Cooperative Ministry.

4. City Beautification Project Update - Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director and Mr. James Bennett, Midlands Business Leadership Group

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director outlined the current practices for mowing crews, bed mulching, yearly annuals, shrub trimming, edging crews, tree removal, curb painting, and written notification to property owners regarding their responsibility to maintain the right of way. The North Main Street project is almost complete. We will have the stretch from Anthony Avenue to Columbia College Drive. We planted low growing plants on Elmwood Avenue and we maintain those. We have Greene Street and the Greene Street Bridge (maintained by USC), the Greene Street Bridge, Greene Street corridor, and Lincoln Street from Senate Street to Blossom Street. The South Main Street, Five Points, and Assembly Street projects will also come on board. The Forestry Division will look at contracting mowing in larger areas. We will re-focus city crews on several projects. We will have partnerships with USC, the City Center Partnership, and local garden clubs. We are going to add concrete at 1800 Main along with sections of planters. We will add pots to City Hall for seasonal flowers. We scheduled a contractor to remove the tree at 1500 Main Street in front of Cowboys. I would like to introduce Brian Neiger as the new superintendent of the Forestry and Beautification Division. He has come up with some good beautification plans. We have met with SCDOT and Mayor Rickenmann about the condition of our medians. We did a pilot program where SCDOT cleaned the medians within Gervais Street and Huger Street and we painted the medians. We are looking at the



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business corridors. We are looking at a pilot program with code enforcement and citations. We have seen an increase in litter and litter collections. We will use temporary labor where we can. Our staffing levels are at an all-time high. We are having equipment challenges this year. Crews work six days a week and ten hours per day. We are moving our hook-lift containers each week. This allows residents to put their leaves in the containers instead of putting them on the street. We put containers in neighborhoods when Code Enforcement does their sweeps. We are working on the "Welcome to Columbia" signage. The goal is to standardize signage for primary, secondary and smaller entrances. We developed a request for proposals and we will present the final design to City Council for feedback. We continue to remove sign litter around town.

Councilor Bussells said it is important to look at how these signs will be consistent with some of our previous signs. We should open this up to more sign companies versus the traditional construction approach.

Councilor Duvall thanked Public Works for participating in the Arbor Day Celebration. We planted two trees at Logan Elementary School. I want to commend Veronica Walker for her presentation to the South Kilbourne Neighborhood Association. She has done a great job of spreading the word that employment with Public Works is a great thing.

Councilor McDowell asked what we are doing to maintain the areas we already have.

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said by contracting out mowing, our people will be brought closer into town and we will spend time doing additional maintenance in town.

Councilor Brennan asked how we will continue the collaboration with SCDOT. It would be great to treat every road like we did Huger Street at Gervais Street.

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said the idea of doing Gervais Street and Huger Street was to let everybody see what is going on. There is no reason we can't have a partnership but they need to come to the table with funding.

Mayor Rickenmann said there is no operations and maintenance money for our roads. We have to add this to the legislative agenda. This was a partnership between SCODT, the city and the county. This was our first step to collaboratively go to the delegation for funds for the maintenance of our streets. This will be a lobbying effort his year.



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Councilor Taylor said thank you. It is rewarding for us to take pride in the way the city looks. The more people take care of things, the less crime we will see. We referred to a committee ways we might look at taking the roll carts off of the main city streets and putting dumpsters behind buildings. I want to make sure that is still in the dialog. Is it worthwhile to look at programs where people put their household garbage on the street the day before pickup versus leaving household items on the street for a week?

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said a lot of areas don't have a location for a dumpster. We added carts so they wouldn't put their garbage on the ground. We will look at household garbage.

Mayor Rickenmann said the dumpsters can help to eliminate that, too.

Councilor Herbert asked if we have a policy on picking up signs for closed businesses and old campaign signs.

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said we are looking at duplicate signs. Political signs are removed from the right of way and from our flower beds.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director said we will remove signs from the right of way and we contact private property owners regarding signage.

Councilor Brennan asked if we are keeping seasonal employees on for other scopes of work.

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said yes, if they have a driver's license. We also budget for seasonal labor.

Regional Gateway Projects

Mr. Robert Anderson, Public Works Director said the Regional Gateways Project is based on needs in various areas. The municipalities and counties are contributing funds based on population.

Mr. James Bennett, Midlands Business Leadership Group Chair explained that MLBG has taken on the responsibility of raising the dollars for implementation of the eight gateways. The total project is over two million dollars. The first two projects are I-26 at 302 and I-77 at Forest Drive. The business community has already raised funds for these two projects. The IGA is asking



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individual governing bodies to provide ongoing maintenance based on a pro-rata share. The other six gateways are I-20 at US-1; I-20 at I-26; I-26 at Harbison; I-20 at 277; I-20 at I-77; and I-77 at I-26. This is a regional approach but the majority of the gateways are in the City of Columbia. We are here in support of what you are doing for beautification. Your existing identification of gateways involve signage; our project involves the landscaping. You also chose Elmwood at I-26. Our eight gateways are within 10 miles of the State House. We are hopeful to break ground on the first two projects during spring. We are preparing to go forward with the RFP and hope to identify the contractor/landscaper by February.

5. Capital City/Lake Murray Country Update - Ms. Miriam Atria, President/CEO for the Capital City/Lake Murray Country Regional Tourism Board

Ms. Miriam Atria, President/CEO for the Capital City/Lake Murray Country Regional Tourism Board said we continue to break records as we head into our forty second year in business. We recently hosted 25 nations at Riverfront Park and Lake Murray during the XVI Black Bass World Championship for the first time in the United States. We are submitting this event for a statewide tourism economic impact award. We are working on a bid and contract to secure the Colonial Life Arena for three years for an event featuring over 350 chefs from across the world. In October, we hosted the southeastern state park directors and staff from 14 states. They toured the entire region and dined heavily in the city of Columbia. We are here to present our visitor's guide that is shared all over the world. We are bringing the potential of two world events to this region. We want to share a 60-second version of our television ad. We are charged with promoting four counties and we cannot do our job without the support of this Council. We thank you for any and all support.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 6 THROUGH 25

Councilor Taylor requested a future presentation on **Items 12 and 25**.

Upon a single motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve **Consent Agenda Items 6** through **25**.

6. Council is asked to approve the Annual Software Maintenance Support for Mobile Area Routing and Vehicle Location Information System (MARVLIS) Contract, as requested by the Columbia Police Department on October 21, 2022. Award to Bradshaw Consulting Services, Inc. in the amount of \$80,421.88, which includes a 3% increase. This firm is located in Aiken, SC. - *Approved*



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Funding Source: Police Administrative Services - Maintenance and Service Contract (1012402-638200). The original budget amount is \$80,421.88.

7. Council is asked to approve a new Agreement for Geographic Information System (GIS) Software License and Maintenance Services, as requested by the Information Technology Department on October 21, 2022. Award to Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., using the State Contract in the amount of \$110,000.00. The term of this agreement is three years. This vendor is located in Redlands, CA. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Geographic Information Systems - Maintenance & Service Contracts (5511121-638200) \$46,640.00; Police Administrative Services – Computer Equipment/Hardware (1012402-627500) \$3,630.00; Development Services – Maintenance & Service Contracts (1014101-638200) \$3,740.00; Engineering - Water Systems Improvements - Software Licenses (5516220-627510) \$28,270.00; Utilities Water Distribution & Maintenance - Software Licenses (5516203-627510) \$7,700.00; Traffic Engineering - Maintenance & Service Contracts (1013203-638200) \$2,447.50; Public Works Administration - Software Licenses (1011124-627510) \$2,062.50; Utilities Wastewater Maintenance - Software Licenses (5516205-627510) \$14,190.00; Streets-Storms – Maintenance & Service Contracts (5534203-638200) \$220.00; Emergency Management - Software Licenses (1012201 - 627510) \$1,100.00. The original budget amount is \$110,000.

8. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Citywide Multifunctional Copier Device Services, as requested by the Information Technology Department on August 23, 2022. Award to Ricoh USA, Inc. in the amount of \$269,143.56. The term of this contract is from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023. This company is located in Columbia, SC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Central Stores/Copying – Xerox Copy and Supplies, 6208951– 627200. The original budgeted amount is \$269,143.56.

9. Council is asked to approve the Annual Renewal of Computer Aided Dispatch Software Maintenance Services, as requested by the Columbia - Richland 911 Communications Center on November 10, 2022. Award to CentralSquare Software Technologies in the amount of \$281,391.43, which does not include an increase. This firm is located in Lake Mary, FL. - *Approved*

Funding Source: City Emergency Communications/311-Maintenance and Service Contract (1012701-638200) \$140,695.72 and County Emergency Communication-Maintenance and Service Contract (2082702-638200) \$140,695.71. The original budget amount is \$281,391.43.



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10. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of Replacement Vehicles for Various Departments, as requested by the Fleet Services Division. Award to the following vendors in the total amount of \$1,001,878.29. - *Approved*

Vendor and Location	Description	Procurement Method
Amick Equipment Company Lexington, SC	One (1) 2023 Freightliner Truck for the Solid Waste Division requested on October 15, 2022	SC State Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$265,680.07</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Two (2) 2023 Ford F-550 Regular Cab Chassis for the Traffic Engineering Division requested on November 4, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$386,598.88</i>		
Hunter Truck Sales & Services, Inc. Smithfield, PA	One (1) 2023 Peterbilt Model 520 Truck for the Solid Waste Division requested on November 2, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$349,599.34</i>		

11. Council is asked to approve Contract Amendment #4 for Security Guard Services, as requested by the Columbia Police Department on November 18, 2022. Award to Security Management of SC, LLC in the amount of \$571,974.65, which does not include an increase. The term of this amendment is from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Police Administrative Services - Professional Services (1012402-636600) \$285,987.00; Community Safety Officers - Professional Services (5512703-636600) \$285,987.65. The budget amount for this amendment is \$571,974.65.

12. Council is asked to approve a Contract Renewal for the Management and Administration of Employee Medical Services at the Employee Health Center, as requested by the Human Resources Department on November 10, 2022. Award to Doctors Care, P.A. in the amount of \$1,139,904.24 per year for a total amount of \$3,419,712.72, which includes a 3% increase from the previous contract. The term of this contract is from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Employee Health Center - Medical Services (6048920-636900) \$983,904.24; Employee Health Center - Drug and Medical Supplies (6048920-624900) \$30,000.00; Employee Health Center - Special Departmental Supplies (6048920-627100) \$66,000.00; Employee Health Center - Coronavirus Services (6048920-638412) \$60,000.00. The original budget amount is \$1,139,904.24 for year 1 and is anticipated to be budgeted at this amount for year 2 and 3.



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13. Council is asked to approve Contract Amendment #8 for Project SS733702; East Rocky Branch Sewer Improvements Phase II, as requested by Columbia Water on November 11, 2022. Award to Hussey Gay Bell in the amount of \$96,000.00. The term of this agreement is from December 31, 2022 to December 30, 2023. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Water and Sewer Capital Projects - East Rocky Branch Improvements Phase 2 - Capital Project Costs (5529999-SS733702-658650). The original budget amount is \$1,731,000.00. The budget amount for this amendment is \$96,000.00. The total revised budget amount is \$1,827,000.00.

This is a Clean Water 2020 Program project and a Mentor Protégé Program project. Hussey Gay Bell is the mentor and will provide additional construction administration and observation services at 50% (\$48,000.00) of the amendment amount. Civil Engineering of Columbia, LLC, a Small Business Enterprise located in Columbia, SC, is the protégé and will provide engineering services at 50% (\$48,000.00) of the amendment amount.

14. Council is asked to approve a new Professional Services Agreement for Project SD8503; Rocky Branch Alternative Evaluation and Preliminary Design, as requested by Columbia Water on November 11, 2022. Award to ESP Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$209,720.00. The term of this agreement is December 13, 2022 through June 13, 2024, with two optional one-year renewal periods. This firm is located Charlotte, NC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Stormwater Improvement Capital Project Control - Rocky Branch Bypass and Tunnel - Capital Project Costs (5549999-SD850301-658650). The original budget amount is \$209,720.00.

This is a Mentor Protégé Program project. ESP Associates, Inc. is the mentor and will provide project management and oversight, associated modeling, alternative evaluations, and begin initial preliminary design at 79.97% (\$167,720.00) of the total Contract amount.

Hybrid Engineering, Inc., located in Irmo, SC, is the protégé and will provide preliminary design initiation, overall project scope of services, quality, deliverables, schedule and engineering support at 20.03% (\$42,000.00) of the total contract amount.

15. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Project SS7626; Senate Street Gravity Sewer Completion, as requested by Columbia Water on October 26, 2022. Award to McClam and Associates, Inc. as a Sole Source in an amount not to exceed \$355,700.00. This vendor is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*



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Funding Source: Water and Sewer Capital Projects - Senate Street Gravity Sewer - Capital Project Costs (5529999-SS762601-658650). The original budget amount is \$355,700.00.

16. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Project SS6966; Sanitary Sewer Pipe Rehabilitation, as requested by Columbia Water on August 1, 2022. Award to McClam and Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$8,231,658.00. This contractor is located in Little Mountain, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Engineering - Water & Sewer Improvements (5529999-SS696623-658650). The original budget amount is \$8,231,658.00.

This is a Columbia Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (CDBE) program project with a 15% CDBE goal. The CDBE goal for this project was exceeded at 15.22%. McClam and Associates, Inc. is the prime contractor and will provide sanitary sewer construction services at 43.92% (\$3,615,515.05) of the total contract amount.

The following subcontractors will provide additional services:

Pipe Pros, LLC, located in Fort Mill, SC, will provide closed circuit television (CCTV) services, sewer cleaning, geographic information systems (GIS) services and smoke testing services at 13.35% (\$1,098,950.00) of the total contract amount.

L.A. Barrier & Son, Inc., a Minority Business Enterprise (W) and CDBE located in Lexington, SC, will provide hauling services at 1.59% (\$130,818.00) of the total contract amount.

Smoak Construction Co., LLC, a Minority Business Enterprise (W) and CDBE located in Little Mountain, SC, will provide point repairs, restoration and access services at 13.63% (\$1,121,874.95) of the total contract amount.

BLD Services, LLC, located in Kenner, LA, will provide lateral cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) services at 8.81% (\$725,000.00) of the total contract amount.

TriState Utilities, located in Chesapeake, VA, will provide cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) services at 18.70% (\$1,539,500.00) of the total contract amount.



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17. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 1500, 509, 1520, N1521, 1521, 1525, and 1527 Atlantic Drive, and 1230 Balsam Road; TMS# 07311-02-01, 07311-02-02, 07312-07-11, 07312-07-12, 07312-07-13, 07312-07-14, and 07312-07-15 - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-107 - Annexing and Incorporating Annexing and incorporating 7 lots at Atlantic Drive and Balsam Road into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 adopted by Ordinance No.: 2020-028 on August 4, 2020 – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 2

Proposal: Request to annex the property, assign a land use classification of Urban Edge residential - Large Lot (UER-2) and assign zoning of Residential Single Family-Medium Lot district (RSF-2) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as mixed residential High Density and zoned RS-MD by Richland County.

Applicant: Multiple Petitioners

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 09/08/2022; Approval (6-0)

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

18. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 1008 Lykes Lane; TMS# 05000-02-29 - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-105 - Annexing and Incorporating 1008 Lykes Lane, Richland County TMS# 05000-02-29 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map - Approved on second reading.

Council District: 1

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of Community activity corridor (AC-2) and assign zoning of Community Activity Center/Corridor (CAC) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned GC by Richland County.

Applicant: Brandon T. Walker

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

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19. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 1903 Hazelwood Road and 1842 Pressley Street; TMS#19205-03-12 - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-102 - Annexing and Incorporating 1903 Hazelwood Road and 1842 Pressley Street, Richland County TMS# 19205-03-12 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official zoning map - Approved on second reading.

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of Urban Edge residential large lot (UER-2) and assign zoning of Residential Single Family-Large Lot (RSF-1) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned RS-LD by Richland County.

Applicant: Charles McSwain, Jr.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

20. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for unincorporated portions of 3815 Ayrshire Avenue and 0.56 acres NE/S Clement Road; TMS#09201-0907(p) and 09201-09-08(p) - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-099 - Annexing and Incorporating Unincorporated portions of 3815 Ayrshire Avenue and 0.56 acre NE/S Clement Road, Richland County TMS# 09201-09-07 (portion) and TMS# 09201-09-08 (portion) into the City of Columbia, South Carolina Columbia, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official zoning map - Approved on second reading.

Council District: 1

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of urban core residential small lot (UCR-1) and assign zoning of residential single-family large lot (RSF-1) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned RS-HD by Richland County.

Applicant: Pamela Dorita Thomas

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

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21. Annexations, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 37.675 acres, S/S I-20; TMS# 28800-06-05 - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-101 - Annexing and Incorporating 37.675 acres S/S I-20, Richland County TMS# 28800-06-05 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map - Approved on second reading.

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of Community Activity Corridor (AC-2) and assign zoning of General Commercial District (GC) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned M-1 by Richland County.

Applicant: Spears Creek Quadrant Partners

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

22. Zoning Map Amendment for 14.75 acres, N/S Lost Creek Drive, TMS# 05207-07-28 - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-110 - Amending the Official Zoning Map to modify the zoning for 14.75 acres N/S Lost Creek Drive, Richland County TMS #05207-07-28 - Approved on second reading.

Council District: 1

Proposal: Request to rezone the property from Large Lot-Reserve District (LL-R), a portion within the Floodplain Overlay District (OV-FP) to Residential Single-Family- Large Lot District (RSF-1), a portion within the Floodplain Overlay District (OV-FP).

Applicant: Chestnut Hill Plantation, Inc. c/o Robert F. Fuller, Attorney

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

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23. Ordinance No.: 2022-103 - Consenting to the Inclusion of Property in a Multi-County Industrial/Business Park (GSM of North Main, LLC and Peak Drift Beverages, LLC, Richland County TMS #09116-02-01, 09112-07-01, 09112-07-06, 09112-06-04, 09112-06-06 and 09112-06-07) - *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

24. Ordinance No.: 2022-121 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Second Extension Option of the Lease Renewal Agreement with Truist Bank f/k/a Branch Banking and Trust Company (BB&T) for use of 3905 Ensor Avenue (Lutheran Survey Building) for an ATM - *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

25. Ordinance No.: 2022-122 - Authorizing the City of Columbia, South Carolina, to Execute and Deliver an Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement in the Amount of Not Exceeding \$9,000,000 between the City and the Lessor Thereof To Defray the Cost of Acquiring Certain Equipment; and Other Matters Relating Thereto - *Approved on second reading.*

First reading approval was given on November 15, 2022.

ZONING / PLANNING MATTERS - SECOND READING

26. Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance: Non- Conforming Sites - *Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-109 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 5: Development Standards, Sec. 17-5.3, Landscaping - Approved on second reading.

Proposal: Request to amend Chapter 17 Article 5 of the Columbia Code of Ordinances concerning buffer requirements that require loss of parking.

Applicant: Mayor Daniel Rickenmann, Councilmember Aditi Bussells, and Krista Hampton Director of Planning and Development Services

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 10/13/2022; Approval (6-0)

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Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted six (6) to one (1) to give second reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-109 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 5: Development Standards, Sec. 17-5.3, Landscaping. Ms. Herbert, Dr. Bussells, Mr. Brennan, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Duvall, and Mayor Rickenmann voted aye. Mr. Taylor voted nay.

ZONING / PLANNING MATTERS - FIRST READING

27. 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 first reading.*

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

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that these are annexations and an interim zoning amendment. You will see a public hearing for the confirmation of zoning at a later date. This donut hole has been a priority area for City Council to annex for a number of years. It is coming in from the county with a high density zoning classification. You are looking to apply an interim zoning of a medium density residential zoning classification. It is in the Rosewood Community.

Ms. Whitney Denton, South Kilbourne Neighborhood Association said we agree with the annexation of donut holes. I have issues with the permanent designation request for Urban Core Residential. The developer has more leeway under this designation. I cannot support this project as it has been submitted to the neighborhood. Also, we have active water leaks.



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Mr. Robert Dudek, Esq., 3850 Overbrook Drive said the water problems in this area are very bad. Water is running down the street. The traffic is very bad there. I can't imagine adding 31 units on this corner. If you approve this, it is going to be a danger to school children and others. We already have dumpster problems. There are big problems with this project as proposed. I hope you go out and take a look at this.

Councilor Taylor said we are dealing with whether we annex this into the city. We haven't seen any development plans. If we annex you in, it gives us the ability to address the issues you are talking about.

Ms. Cathy Kittle said we are split. Those with dirt driveways may be required to bring their yards up to the standards that you all hold very high. There are concerns about that. I would love to see code enforcement on Overbrook. Your code enforcement officer is awesome. We are asking you to take note of the red flags that we are raising. Overbrook has already borne the burden for so many multi-family rental units. The developer will walk away with \$8 million and we will be left to handle the fallout from the mess this is going to make.

Mayor Rickenmann said this is about the annexation. We appreciate the issues you have brought forward but we are not at that step yet. They can do what they are talking about now. The neighborhood is in tune to what is going on with the water, the phases and the long term projects.

Councilor Brennan said this is a good time for us to take a look at how this development is going to impact the timeline for phase 3. There are currently two main water issues. I ask that we look at the area and if there are any near term projects that can be done in unison with a potential project.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Brennan and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the Annexation, Interim Future Land Use Map Amendment and Interim Zoning Map Amendment for 3800 Overbrook Drive and 616 Suber Street; TMS#13708-05-01 **and** Ordinance No.: 2022-124 - Annexing 3800 Overbrook Drive and 616 Suber Street, Richland County TMS# 13708-05-01.



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28. ANNEXATION, INTERIM FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT AND INTERIM ZONING MAP AMENDMENT for 1921 Pineview Drive; TMS#1910006-12 - *Approved on first reading.*

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

Upon a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the Annexation, Interim Future Land Use Map Amendment and Interim Zoning Map Amendment for 1921 Pineview Drive; TMS#1910006-12 **and** Ordinance No.: 2022-125 - Annexing 1921 Pineview Drive, Richland County TMS# 19100-06-12.

RESOLUTIONS

29. Resolution No.: R-2022-094 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to a Regional Gateways Project between Richland County, Lexington County, City of Columbia and Central Midlands Council of Governments - *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-094 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to a Regional Gateways Project between Richland County, Lexington County, City of Columbia and Central Midlands Council of Governments and the appointment of The Honorable Aditi Bussells to the Midlands Business Leadership Group Project Steering Advisory Committee.



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30. Resolution No.: R-2022-097 - The City of Columbia Adopts the Following Resolution in Support of Requesting the South Carolina Legislature to Enact a Statute to Require Security Cameras at the Entrances and Exits of Nursing Homes, Residential Care Facilities and Assisted Living Centers - *Approved*

Public Safety Committee Recommendation: 11/15/2022; refer to City Council for consideration.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-097 - The City of Columbia Adopts the Following Resolution in Support of Requesting the South Carolina Legislature to Enact a Statute to Require Security Cameras at the Entrances and Exits of Nursing Homes, Residential Care Facilities and Assisted Living Centers. Mr. Taylor abstained from voting due to a potential conflict of interest. Ms. Herbert was not present for the vote.

31. Resolution No.: R-2022-098 - Authorizing the City Manager and Fire Chief to execute Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Protection between McEntire Joint National Guard Base and the City of Columbia - *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-098 - Authorizing the City Manager and Fire Chief to execute Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire Protection between McEntire Joint National Guard Base and the City of Columbia.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that **Items 32** through **39** involve a code cycle that we regularly update based on SC LLR.

Mr. Todd Beiers, Building Official explained that the International Code Council mandates all of our building codes. They start with the International Code Council and then each state goes through the code to make it their own. The South Carolina Building Code Council then sends the codes to the State House for approval. As a municipality, we are required to adopt the International Building Code and all related codes.

Councilor Taylor asked if we are going to hear anything back on these codes. Are we adopting these early or late? Have the codes been filtered out in other places.



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Mr. Todd Beiers, Building Official said residential sprinklers are the biggest example. Inside the International Residential Code, residential homes have to be sprinkled. The South Carolina Building Code Council then said they don't. All of the modifications have been approved and they go into effect on January 1.

Councilor Taylor asked if this is a blanket approval of container housing or does it have to meet certain zoning guidelines throughout the city.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director said anything in the building code has to meet our zoning ordinance as well. It does acknowledge some of those items.

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to **Items 32** through **39**. Mr. McDowell was not present for the vote.

32. 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 first reading.*
33. 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 first reading.*
34. 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 first reading.*
35. 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 first reading.*
36. 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 first reading.*



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37. 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 first reading.*
38. 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 first reading.*
39. 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 - *Approved on first reading.*

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REFERRALS, REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS

40. Public Safety Committee Report for November 15, 2022 - The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr.

Councilor Duvall said the Public Safety Committee Report is attached to the agenda. We referred safety cameras at nursing homes to City Council and we approved that tonight.

41. Technology Committee Report for November 15, 2022 - The Honorable Tina N. Herbert

Councilor Herbert said the Technology Committee report is attached to the agenda. We expected to do a soft go-live with the Energov business license upgrade on December 5, 2022. This will allow businesses to pay their renewals and licenses online. We realized that the missing link to constituent concerns is being notified when something is complete. We have GovQA and we hope to do a training for City Council in February.

Councilor Duvall noted that after seven years of trying, we now have a disaster recovery system for our data.

Councilor McDowell reported that the Administrative Policy Committee met last month to discuss boards and commissions. We are still talking and plan to report to City Council at a later date.



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Councilor Taylor said the plan is to bring an updated version of the boards and commissions handbook to City Council in January for review.

Councilor Duvall announced that the Short-Term Rentals ad-hoc committee will meet at 4:00 p.m. on December 14, 2022. We have been in negotiations with the neighborhoods and the industry. We are very close to coming up with a product that is dissatisfying to both, which means that it will probably be right.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Caletta Harris, owner of Reel2Real Productions invited the members of Council to view the screening of the NO ADDRESS documentary series at Spotlight Theater on Friday, December 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. featuring Atlanta. This is about the criminalization of the homelessness and practical solutions we can start implementing. There is more we can do on a permanent basis to end homelessness. Part one features Columbia and can be viewed at www.noaddressdocumentary.com. I would like to follow-up on my conversation with the Mayor about possibly putting city owned property with my non-profit foundation.

Ms. Demetria McNeil, president and founder of Poor Rich Kidzz said she founded the non-profit organization on January 28, 2020 to bring 20- to 30- year old creators together. We want to be today's leaders and role models in our community by hosting creative events between Columbia and Charleston. Events include performances for the arts community. We also have a youth mentorship program in Charleston that helps to build confidence, self-expression and entrepreneurship. Our third gala will be held on March 4, 2023 in Columbia at 914 Pulaski Street in partnership with the Columbia Music Festival Association. To learn more, visit www.poorrichkidzz.com.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to enter into executive session at 5:44 p.m.

42. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

Belvedere Home Assistance Program



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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Erika D. Moore Hammond, CMC
City Clerk