Council Members

District 1: John Thomas
District 2: Bob Anderson
District 3: Everett Carolina

District 4: Lillie Jean Johnson, Vice Chair

District 5: Raymond L. Newton District 6: Steve Goggans

District 7: Louis R. Morant, Chairman



County Administrator

Angela Christian

Clerk to Council

Theresa E. Floyd

February 23, 2021

5:30 PM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING - View on YouTube.com/gtcountysc

AGENDA

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- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - 5.a Regular Council Meeting January 26, 2021
 - 5.b Regular Council Meeting February 9, 2021
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA
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 - 6.b Contract #20-038-SC, Stantec Inc., Task Order #1
 - 6.c Bid #20-062, Indian Hut Rd. & Amos Rd. Extension Paving Improvements
 - 6.d Bid #21-100A-Rebid, Pick-Up and Recycling of Waste Tires

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 7.a Ordinance No. 21-02 An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property
- 7.b Ordinance No. 21-05 An Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto
- 8. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
 - 8.a Parks and Recreation Commission

- 8.b Zoning Board of Appeals
- 9. RESOLUTIONS / PROCLAMATIONS
- 10. THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES
 - 10.a Ordinance No. 21-02 An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property
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- 11. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES
- 12. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES
 - 12.a Ordinance No. 21-09 An Ordinance Authorizing (1) the Execution and Delivery of a First Amendment to an Existing Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement by and Among Georgetown County, South Carolina (The "County"), G2 Composites, LLC (as Successor in Interest to MHG OZ FUND I, LLC), and Eagle Commercial, LLC (as Successor in Interest to MHG OZ FUND II, LLC) to Effect Certain Modifications Thereto; and (2) Other Matters Relating Thereto.
- 13. COUNCIL BRIEFING AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
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- 15. REPORTS TO COUNCIL
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 - 16.a Ordinance No. 20-59 An Ordinance to revise the Rules of Procedure as previously adopted by Georgetown County Council.
 - 16.b Ordinance No. 21-07 An Ordinance to Repeal, Replace, and/or Establish Certain Fees Payable to the Georgetown County Coroner's Office, and Set Guidelines for the Same
 - 16.c Ordinance No. 21-08 An Ordinance to Amend the FY21 Operating Budget of Georgetown County
- 17. LEGAL BRIEFING / EXECUTIVE SESSION
- 18. OPEN SESSION
- 19. ADJOURNMENT

Item Number: 5.a

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Regular Council Meeting - January 26, 2021

CURRENT STATUS:

Pending

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

n/a

OPTIONS:

- 1. Approval of minutes as submitted.
- 2. Offer amendments.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Adoption of meeting minutes.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

DRAFT - Minutes 1/26/21
 Backup Material

Georgetown County Council held a virtual meeting on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, at 5:30 PM using electronic means (due to a spike in the local number of Covid-19 cases). The meeting was livestreamed on Georgetown County's YouTube Channel (YouTube.com/gtcountysc).

Present: Bob Anderson

Louis R, Morant Raymond Newton John W. Thomas

Steve Goggans Lillie Jean Johnson

Everett Carolina

Staff: Angela Christian

Theresa E. Floyd

Jackie Broach

H. Thomas Morgan, Jr.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to local media outlets including newspapers, television, and radio stations, citizens of the County, Department Heads, and posted on the bulletin board in the historic Courthouse.

Chairman Louis Morant called the meeting to order. Councilmember Everett Carolina gave an invocation, and all joined in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Everett Carolina moved for approval of the meeting agenda, including a request to move two reports forward on the meeting agenda (reports 15a & 15b), and also to add a legal briefing pertaining to Ordinance No. 21-05 to Executive Session. Councilmember Bob Anderson seconded the motion. There was no discussion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Wesley Gibson

Mr. Gibson spoke as a representative of *Citizens for Progress*, and on behalf of various Pawleys Island residents who have contacted him with concerns regarding the proposed development of 182 apartment units on Petigru Road (Ordinance No. 20-61). There are concerns regarding how this development will impact tax rates on other area properties, increase traffic, and intensify existing drainage problems. Additionally, there are no sidewalks in the area. On a separate matter, Mr. Gibson asked Council members why they have reverted back to a virtual meeting format. Taxpayers have a right to see, and hear, County Council at work. If the school system has managed to create a safe meeting environment for children amid Covid-19, County Council should be able to do the same. All citizens do not have access to a computer to watch County Council meetings.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Session – January 12, 2021

The minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting were deferred.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following reports were included on the Consent Agenda, and therefore approved by virtue of the agenda approval process:

Ordinance No. 20-60 - An Ordinance to rezone one parcel located at 2553 Pennyroyal Road (TMS 01-0437-007-03-00) from 10,000 Square Feet Residential (R-10) to 10,000 Square Feet Residential (MR-10) — Third Reading approval.

Private Ambulance Franchise Applications & Mutual Aid Agreement Renewal — County Council approved the renewal of three (3) ambulance franchise agreements and associated Mutual Aid Agreements: Adams Life Link Ambulance, LLC; Advance Medical Transport, LLC; and Med Trust Medical Transport, LLC.

Assignments to County Council's Standing Committees - In accordance with County Council's adopted Rules of Procedure, the Council Chairman shall make appointments to standing committees no later than the second regular meeting in January (following each general election). Standing Committee appointments were made as follows:

Administration & Finance Committee

Louis R. Morant, Committee Chair Bob Anderson Everett Carolina Steve Goggans Lillie Jean Johnson Raymond Newton John Thomas

Health Education & Leisure Committee

Lillie Jean Johnson, Committee Chair Bob Anderson Steve Goggans Louis R. Morant

Justice & Safety Committee

Everett Carolina, Committee Chair Bob Anderson Louis R. Morant

Public Works Committee

Steve Goggans, Committee Chair Bob Anderson Everett Carolina Raymond Newton John Thomas

Land Use & Tourism Committee

John Thomas, Committee Chair Steve Goggans Lillie Jean Johnson Raymond Newton

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

No reports.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

No reports.

RESOLUTIONS / PROCLAMATIONS:

No reports.

ORDINANCES-Third Reading

No reports.

ORDINANCES-Second Reading:

Ordinance No. 21-01

Following a report from County Procurement Officer, Nancy Silver, a motion was made by Councilmember Steve Goggans, and seconded by Councilmember Everett Carolina, for second reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-01, an amendment to Georgetown County's Procurement Ordinance No. 20-32, Section 2-60, regarding procurement contracts. Upon a call for discussion on the motion from Chairman Morant, there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Ordinance No. 21-02

Economic Development Director, Brian Tucker, presented Ordinance No. 21-02. Following the report, Councilmember Bob Anderson moved for second reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-02, an Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located within the Andrews Business Park, located along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property. Councilmember Raymond Newton offered a second. No discussion followed the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton

Steve Goggans

Steve Goggans

John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Ordinance No. 21-03

Following a report from County Planning Director, Holly Richardson, a motion was made by Councilmember John Thomas, and seconded by Councilmember Raymond Newton, for second reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-03 amending Phase A1 of the Belle Vue PD in Murrells Inlet to increase the number of lots from twenty (20) to twenty-three (23) by subdividing a lot that was reserved for future development. Upon a call for discussion on the motion from Chairman Morant, there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Ordinance No. 21-04

Economic Development Director, Brian Tucker, reported on Ordinance No. 21-04. Following the report, Councilmember Bob Anderson moved for second reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-04 authorizing

the Development of a Jointly Owned and Operated Industrial/Business Park Between Georgetown County and Williamsburg County, Such Industrial/Business Park to be Geographically Located in Each County and Established Pursuant to South Carolina Code Annotated Section 4-1-170; to Provide for the Expenses of the Park, the Percentage of Revenue Application, and Distribution of Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxation; and Other Related Matters. Councilmember Everett Carolina offered a second on the motion. Chairman Morant called for discussion on the motion, and there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

ORDINANCES-First Reading:

Ordinance No. 21-05 - An Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto.

BIDS:

No reports.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

Library Technology Presentation

Dwight McInvaill, Director of Georgetown County's Library System, provided a status report on Library operations throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. All libraries have implemented precautionary measures to offer safety and protection to both staff and patrons within the facilities. The libraries have increased digital content, and made provisions allowing for hundreds of families to utilize technology via mobile hot spots. Georgetown County is looking forward to the "soft opening" and celebration of its newest branch, the Southern Georgetown Branch Library, located in the Sampit area of the county.

COAST RTA - Program Update Presentation

Brian Piascik, General Manager/CEO of Coast RTA, provided a program update report on behalf of the agency, including how the Covid-19 pandemic has impacted the agency's programs and ridership, as well as the precautionary measures that have been taken. Mr. Piascik discussed service outlook and encouraged riders or potential users of the transportation service to provide feedback via the survey available on Coast RTA's website. Following the presentation, Mr. Piascik responded to questions from members of County Council.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE No. 21-06

Emergency Management Director, Brandon Ellis, presented Ordinance No. 21-06. Following the report, a motion was made by Councilmember Everett Carolina, and seconded by Councilmember Lillie Jean Johnson, for the adoption of Emergency Ordinance No. 21-06 to extend Georgetown County's State of Emergency (due to Covid-19) and requirements pertaining to face coverings through March 9, 2021. Chairman Morant called for discussion, and none occurred.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton

Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Georgetown County Council Meeting Minutes January 26, 2021

DEFERRED OR PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED ISSUES:

Ordinance No. 20-59 - An Ordinance to revise the Rules of Procedure as previously adopted by Georgetown County Council.

Ordinance No. 20-61 - An Ordinance to amend the Pawleys Business Commons Planned Development to allow for a mixed use of commercial and 182 multi-family units to be located on the west side of Petigru Drive across from Tiller Drive in Pawleys Island (TMS No.04-0203-189-02-00)- *Deferred at the request of the Property Applicant*.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilmember Everett Carolina made a motion to move into Executive Session to receive legal advice Pertaining to Potential Litigation Involving the County Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-70(a)(2), as well as Ordinance No. 21-05 (Capital Project Sales Tax surplus funds). Councilmember Steve Goggans offered a second on the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

County Council moved into Executive Session at 6:53 p.m.

OPEN SESSION:

As Open Session resumed at 7:16 p.m., Chairman Louis Morant announced that County Council received a legal briefing on two matters, as previously disclosed, during Executive Session. No decisions were made, nor were any votes were taken while County Council was in Executive Session. He called for further business to come before County Council.

Being no further business to come before County Council, Councilmember Steve Goggans made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.

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Item Number: 5.b

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Regular Council Meeting - February 9, 2021

CURRENT STATUS:

Pending

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

n/a

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

n/a

OPTIONS:

- 1. Approval of minutes as submitted.
- 2. Offer amendments.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Adoption of meeting minutes.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

DRAFT - Minutes 2/9/21
 Backup Material

Georgetown County Council held a Virtual Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2021, at 5:30 PM using electronic means. The meeting was livestreamed on Georgetown County's YouTube Channel.

Present: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Staff: Angela Christian Theresa E. Floyd

Jackie Broach H. Thomas Morgan, Jr.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to newspapers, television, and radio stations, citizens of the County, Department Heads, and posted on the bulletin board in the historic Courthouse.

Chairman Louis Morant called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm and declared that a quorum was present. Councilmember Everett Carolina gave an invocation, and all joined in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Bob Anderson moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Councilmember Everett Carolina offered a second. There was no discussion on the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Alisha Matthews

Ms. Matthews reminded County Council that she had spoken during a previous meeting to voice concerns regarding the County's process and handling of her request to construct a 'micro' home (she was invoiced \$3999 for a permit to build a 399 sq foot home). She has not received a response from the County and asked to be advised of the process she should follow if this is not the proper forum. Ms. Matthews also had questions regarding the proper process to file a complaint against a County employee. Regarding a separate matter, Ms. Matthews said she had contacted the County several weeks ago on a specific issue, and was told "the systems are down", and it is her understanding that this is still the case. She asked if the County is running any type of business with its "systems down" and questioned what the disaster recovery plan is for this situation.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Session – January 12, 2021

Councilmember Bob Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting. Councilmember Raymond Newton offered a second on the motion. No discussion followed the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following report was included on the Consent Agenda and approved by virtue of the agenda approval process:

Ordinance No. 21-03 – An Ordinance No. 21-03 amending Phase A1 of the Belle Vue PD in Murrells Inlet to increase the number of lots from twenty (20) to twenty-three (23) by subdividing a lot that was reserved for future development – Third Reading approval.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Ordinance No. 21-04

A public hearing was held on Ordinance No. 21-04 authorizing the Development of a Jointly Owned and Operated Industrial/Business Park Between Georgetown County and Williamsburg County, Such Industrial/Business Park to be Geographically Located in Each County and Established Pursuant to South Carolina Code Annotated Section 4-1-170; to Provide for the Expenses of the Park, the Percentage of Revenue Application, and Distribution of Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxation; and Other Related Matters. There were no public comments on Ordinance No. 21-04, and Chairman Louis Morant closed the public hearing.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Accommodations Tax Committee

Chairman Louis Morant moved for the appointment of Ms. Ebony Hughes to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. Councilmember Lillie Jean Johnson offered a second. Upon a call for discussion from Chairman Morant, there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Economic Development Alliance Board

Councilmember Bob Anderson moved to appoint Mr. Walter Wilkinson to the Economic Development Alliance Board. Councilmember Lillie Jean Johnson offered a second. Upon a call for discussion from Chairman Morant, there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Planning Commission

Councilmember Bob Anderson moved to appoint Ms. Marla Hamby to the Planning Commission. Councilmember John Thomas seconded the motion. Chairman Morant called for discussion on the motion, and there was none.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

RESOLUTIONS / PROCLAMATIONS:

No reports.

ORDINANCES-Third Reading

Ordinance No. 21-01

A motion was made by Councilmember Bob Anderson, and seconded by Councilmember Everett Carolina, for third reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-01, an Ordinance to amend the Georgetown County Procurement Ordinance. No. 20-32, Section 2-60, regarding procurement contracts. Upon a call for discussion from the Chairman, there was no discussion following the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

Ordinance No. 21-04

Councilmember Raymond Newton moved for third reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-04 authorizing the Development of a Jointly Owned and Operated Industrial/Business Park Between Georgetown County and Williamsburg County, Such Industrial/Business Park to be Geographically Located in Each County and Established Pursuant to South Carolina Code Annotated Section 4-1-170; to Provide for the Expenses of the Park, the Percentage of Revenue Application, and Distribution of Fees in Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxation; and Other Related Matters. Councilmember Bob Anderson seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

ORDINANCES-Second Reading:

Ordinance No. 20-61

Pursuant to a request from the property applicant, Ordinance No. 20-61, to amend the Pawleys Business Commons Planned Development to allow for a mixed use of commercial and 182 multi-family units to be located on the west side of Petigru Drive across from Tiller Drive in Pawleys Island (TMS No.04-0203-189-02-00) was withdrawn from County Council's consideration.

Ordinance No. 21-05

Councilmember Bob Anderson moved for second reading approval of Ordinance No. 21-05, an Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilmember Raymond Newton offered a second. Chairman Morant called for discussion.

Councilmember Bob Anderson moved to amend Ordinance No. 21-05 to incorporate proposed text, as the ordinance was initially introduced by title only. Councilmember Everett Carolina seconded the amendment. No further discussion occurred.

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

A vote on the main motion was as follows:

In Favor: Bob Anderson Louis R, Morant

Everett Carolina Raymond L. Newton Steve Goggans John W. Thomas

Lillie Jean Johnson

ORDINANCES-First Reading:

Ordinance No. 21-07 – An Ordinance to repeal, Replace and/or Establish Certain Fees Payable to the Georgetown County Coroner's Office, and to set Guidelines for the Same.

Ordinance No. 21-08 – An Ordinance to amend the FY21 Operating Budget of Georgetown County.

BIDS:

No reports.

REPORTS TO COUNCIL:

No reports.

DEFERRED OR PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED ISSUES

Ordinance No. 20-59 - An Ordinance to revise the Rules of Procedure as previously adopted by Georgetown County Council.

Ordinance No. 21-02 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located within the Andrews Business Park, located along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No reports.

Chairman Morant called for any further business to come before County Council. Councilmember Everett Carolina posed a question to fellow councilmembers regarding Council's Standing Committees. He asked for clarification regarding the purpose of such committees and whether the committees are functional. Do the committees supplement the operations of County business?

Councilmember Bob Anderson offered up that the committees are a "tool" to allow a smaller group to come together in an effort to examine options and come up with solutions related to a given matter when more detailed discussion is warranted. Councilmember Lillie Jean Johnson advised that the standing committees are indeed functional. Historically, committees have met when there was a need, such as a specific problem or matter to discuss. Committee meetings have not occurred without a specific purpose. Councilmember Goggans cautioned that committees are advisory in nature and not intended to replace the role held by staff. However, committees can be useful in formulating ideas on more complex issues which can then be brought to a vote of Council.

Being no further business to come before County Council, Chairman Louis Morant called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Steve Goggans so moved, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Georgetown County Council Meeting Minutes February 9, 2021

Date		
Clerk to Council		

Item Number: 6.a

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

The South Carolina of Commerce is considering a \$250,000 grant to be applied toward qualifying expenses by 3V Chemical related to their current expansion. Georgetown County will receive the funds, document the qualified expenditures and reimburse the company for those expenses up to \$250,000. The grant does not require a local match. We will simply administer the grant.

CURRENT STATUS:

Expansion is underway.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

The grant is being offered to support the expansion of 3V Chemical. The company expects to hire an additional 25 people and invest \$12 million in new buildings and equipment.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

none

OPTIONS:

approve or deny

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

approve

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Grant ApplicationCover Memo

SOUTH CAROLINA COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Grant Application

	cal Government applicant:	Local government contact for this project:
Georgetown County		Name Brian Tucker
		Title Director of Economic Development
		Telephone
		Fax
This application was cor	mpleted by:	CCED USE ONLY
Name Kathryn Dismuke	es	CCED USE ONLY
Title CFO		File Number <u>C-20-3284</u>
Telephone 843-520-022	8	County Georgetown
Fax		Project Manager Philip Morgan
Email k.dismukes@3vsi	gmausa.com	Project Name Bluegrass
		Funding Source:
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Funds are being reques	ted to assist with:	Dates: Received
Plant & Capacity Expansion_		Approved
		Disapproved
COMPANY INFORMAT	ION	
Name of Company:	3V SIGMA USA INC_	
South Carolina Address	888 WOODSTOCK S	TREET, GEORGETOWN, SC 29440
Type of Business:	□ Sole Proprieto	
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Primary Business Type	Chemical Manufacturing	NAICS Code:325900
Company Contact:	(manufacturing, service-related, etc	
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COMPANY PROJECT INFORMATION

COMPANY INFORMATION

Attach the following information related to the company and its proposed project:

- 1. Historical information on the company.
- 2. Description of the company's products or services.
- 3. Financial statements (annual report, 10K or audited financial statements to include P&L statement and balance sheet) Please be aware that we will be unable to process any application until financial statements are provided. If the Company is a "start-up" operation, we require letters of commitment for financing from the Company's financial institution.
- 4. Description of proposed facility to include: building type (new or existing), square footage, proposed renovations, etc.
- 5. Letter from the company confirming that the application has been reviewed by the company and that the information presented is accurate

ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE PROCESSED.

PROJECT TIMEFRAME The project is estimated to be completed in March of 2021					
Start Date for Project: 10/01/2020	Completion Date: (Date investment and job	3/31/2021 creation are anticipated to be complete)			
JOB CREATION					
Total Number of New Jobs: 25					
Categories and wage rates for new jobs:					
Category	Number of Jobs	Average Wage (annual or hourly)			
Executive/Management	1	\$36/hr			
Technical/Professional	2	\$25/hr			
Administrative/Clerical					
Skilled Production	22	\$20-28/hour			
Unskilled Production					
Contract Employees					
Other					
Total	25	\$21.68/hour			
If the project involves the retention of existing jo what will be the total number of jobs retained at					
Annual payroll resulting from new jobs:		\$1,127,360			
Annual payroll resulting from retained jobs?	Annual payroll resulting from retained jobs?				
If this project is an expansion of an existing company in SC, please state the number of current jobs in the state. 172					

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

La	and Cost	\$	
Вι	uilding Construction	\$ <u>200,000</u>	
Вι	uilding Acquisition	\$	
Ma	achinery & Equipment	\$ <u>11,800,000</u>	
To	otal	\$ <u>12,000,000</u>	
Will this project red	quire a new building or a phys	sical addition to an existin	ng building?
Yes ₩ No □		☐ New building	sq. ft
		+ sq. ft. addition 468	
PROPERTY TAXE	ES .		
Estimated local pro	operty taxes for the first year	of location or expansion:	
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INCENTIVES			
that apply) ** This project is co	ving incentive and assistance overed under an existing FILC the process of adding an MC	OT agreement dated 12/3	red in this project? (Please check a
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	y Company Grant/Loan		
<u></u>	al Infrastructure Authority Gra		
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GRANT PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT INFORMATION

Attach the following:

- 1. A description of the activities to be undertaken with funds from this grant (give specific or estimated quantities and dimensions where possible).
- 2. A preliminary budget, showing cost estimates (identify source) and sources of funding for all elements of the project.
- 3. Two maps of the project area showing at least the following information: company location, existing infrastructure, the location of all improvements to be made (improvements to be made with CCED funding must be highlighted or color coded). Include any other relevant information which is available, such as a copy of any other grant applications, preliminary engineering reports, etc.

ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR THE APPLICATION TO BE PROCESSED.

PROJECT FUNDING

Total Funds Requested:	\$200,000
Total Project Cost:	\$12,000,000

Source of Project Funding	Amount	% of Total
		Project Cost
Company:	11,800,000	98.4%
Local Government:		
State:	200,000	1.6%
CCED ED Funds		
Federal:		
Other (private, utility, etc.)		
Total Project Cost	12,000,000	100%

^{**}Important note: if this application is approved and a grant award is made, the grant award agreement requires that the project <u>begin within 3 months</u> and <u>be completed within 18 months</u> of the issuance of the grant agreement.

TRAFFIC INFORMATION

	e activities to be undertaken with CCED funds will include road, provide the following information nates are acceptable):
	Number of passenger vehicles which will be entering and exiting facility daily:
	Number of trucks which will be entering and exiting facility daily:
	APPLICANT ASSURANCES
appl no re	Information provided in this application is correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge. The icant understands, and the company has been notified as appropriate, that there will be eimbursement of costs incurred before grant award unless prior written approval is given be Coordinating Council for Economic Development.
This	application submitted by: (Name & Title of Chief Administrative Official of Local Government)
	(SIGNATURE) (DATE)
	(SALZ)

Item Number: 6.b

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Purchasing

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Contract #20-038-SC, Stantec Inc., Task Order #1

CURRENT STATUS:

This will be task order #1 under Stantec's current Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract #20-038-SC for Local Funded, Civil, Environment, & General Engineering Services and is for Multiuse Path and Drainage Improvements Design for Kings River Rd.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- 1) The Work will include the survey, design and permit of a new 10 ft. wide multiuse asphalt bike path with associated drainage along Kings River Rd. from the Waverly intersection to Blue Stem Dr. The Work will also include survey, design and permit of new outlet structure in Chapel Creek Pond as well as drainage improvements along the Waverly Rd. intersection with new box culverts under Waverly Rd.
- 2) The task order will include the following deliverables: Design Drawings (1 set for Bike Path and 1 set for Drainage Improvements at Chapel Creek/Waverly), easement exhibits as required along the entire route and at the drainage improvements, opinion of probable cost, and bidding documents with specifications.
- This work will include sub-contracted work for surveying provided by PLS.
- 4) Expected time for completion is 8 months.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

CIP funds will be used for this task order and funding for this project has been approved by Finance.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the attached task order.
- 2) Deny the request.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the approval of the attached task order proposal as is evident by the Public Services Director's signature on the attached task order form.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

No

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Contract #20-038-SC, Task Order #1

Туре

Cover Memo



Sequence #

Type of Change:

Louis R. Morant

Council Chairman

Contract #

Georgetown County, South Carolina

Execution of Contract Change or Adjustment

must include all elements of this form for each item of work.

resources are proposed.

3. Attach additional budget formas as needed when multiple tasks and and

Other

Administration Use ONLY

X Task Order

20-038-SC	1				Signature	Date
Project #	GL Account #	Purchase Order		Budget Verified:	Trang & Pra	2/9/2021
PRIOR Contract	\$ Amount of this	REVISED		Change		
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Consultant Nar	ne:	Stantec, Inc.				
Contract Title:	Local Funded, Civil, Environmental & General Engineering Services (IDIQ)				Q)	
Task Order Nar	ne	Kings River Rd Mul	tiuse Path an	d Drainage Imp	rovements Design	
 Survey, design and permit a new 10' wide multiuse asphalt bike path with associated drainage along Kings River Road, from Waverly Road intersection to Blue Stem Drive. Prepare Easement Exhibits associated with the project (path and drainage). Survey, design and permit new outlet structure in Chapel Creek Pond as well as drain improvements along Waverly Road intersection with new box culvert under Waverly Formula (page 1). 				e Stem Drive. nage). as well as drainage		
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Georgetown County, SC Signatures: 1/21/2021 Ray C. Funnye Date			See attached p (Signature)		/29/2021 Date	
Director of Public Services				ge or adjustment	uide to identify minimum re t. All changes must also be o	
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Date

Contract Amendment

Amendment #



GEORGETOWN COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES







FEE PROPOSAL SCHEDULE

10' MULTIUSE PATH and DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG

Kings River Road (KRR) ROAD

Issued: November 17, 2020

Revised Due Date: Friday, December 11, 2020 @ 12 pm (noon)

No.	Description	Total Cost	% Drainage Funded	Total Cost ^c (Drainage)	
1.a	Route Survey (Multiuse Path)	\$16,400.00	50%	\$8,200.00	
1.b	Survey for Chapel Creek Pond outfall & Waverly Rd. Drainage Improvements	\$5,000.00	100%	\$5,000.00	
2	Easements Exhibit Preparation	\$3,146.00	50%	\$1,573.00	
3.a	Wetlands Delineation	\$5,500.00	50%	\$2,750.00	
3.b	Wetlands Mitigation ^b	\$6,000.00	50%	\$3,000.00	
4	Geotechnical Investigation (for Chapel Creek Pond outfall & Waverly Rd. Drainage Improvements)	\$5,000.00	100%	\$5,000.00	
5.a	Design Drawings (Multiuse Path)	\$40,000.00	50%	\$20,000.00	
5.b	Design Drawings (Chapel Creek Pond outfall & Waverly Rd. Drainage Improvements)	\$10,000.00	100%	\$10,000.00	
6	Technical Specifications	\$3,000.00	50%	\$1,500.00	
7	Opinion of Probable Cost	\$3,000.00	50%	\$1,500.00	
8	H&H Report with calculations	\$8,000.00	100%	\$8,000.00	
9	Permits	\$8,000.00	50%	\$4,000.00	
10	Bidding Assistance	\$5,000.00	50%	\$2,500.00	
	TOTAL \$118,046.00 \$73,023.00				

Notes: a. All items are Lump Sum. b. Wetlands mitigation is included in case it is needed. If it is determined during design that it is not needed, it will be deducted from the contract.

c. This drainage cost separation does not affect the total price. This is only for County funding (tracking) purposes.

Proposed Design Period:	8 Months		
Submitted By:	Stantec Consulting Services, Inc		(Firm
Signed:	PAJE -	Date:	12/11/2020

Item Number: 6.c

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Purchasing

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Bid #20-062, Indian Hut Rd. & Amos Rd. Extension Paving Improvements

CURRENT STATUS:

Indian Hut Rd. and Amos Rd. are dirt roads that are maintained with County resources.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

This solicitation was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in Georgetown County, the SC Business Opportunities (SCBO) website, the County's Purchasing webpage, and directly sent to all known offerors. The following five (5) bids were received:

- 1) Coastal Asphalt, LLC at \$1,694,747.00 base bid + \$100,650.50 Option #1 = \$1,795,397.50.
- 2) Green Wave Contracting, Inc. at \$2,051,727.75 base bid + \$70,340.00 Option #1 = \$2,122,067.75
- 3) L & L Contractors, Inc. at \$2,160,793.75 base bid + \$556,551.20 Option #1 = \$2,717,344.95
- 4) Palmetto Corp of Conway at \$2,274,422.20 base bid + \$161,947.00 Option #1 = \$2,436,369.20
- 5) Stone Construction at \$2,028,555.00 base bid + \$89,670.00 Option #1 = \$2,118,225.00

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This project is fully funded in GL Account Number 066.906-50702 up to \$3,100,000.00.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the award to Coastal Asphalt, LLC for the base bid amount of \$1,694,747.00 plus the Option #1 amount of \$100,650.50 for a total amount of \$1,795,397.50.
- 2) Decline to approve staff's recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff have reviewed the five (5) bids submitted for Bid #20-062, Indian Hut Rd. & Amos Rd. Extension Paving Improvements. Coastal Asphalt, LLC submitted the lowest bid with a base bid amount of \$1,694,747.00 plus the Option #1 amount of \$100,650.50 for 8" GABC vs. 6" GABC for a total amount of \$1,795,397.50. Coastal Asphalt, LLC is a reputable company and has performed work of this nature in the past for Georgetown County. Therefore, staff recommends award to Coastal Asphalt, LLC for the base bid plus Option #1.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Bid No. 20-062 Recommendation

Туре

Cover Memo



MEMORANDUM

TO: Nancy Silver, Purchasing Officer

FROM: Ray C. Funnye, Director of Public Service

DATE: February 16, 2021

SUBJECT: Bid #20-062 Indian Hut Road and Amos Road

Extension Paving Improvements

On Wednesday, February 3, 2021, bids were received for the Indian Hut Road and Amos Road Extension Paving Improvements from the following 5 companies: Coastal Asphalt; Green Wave Contracting; L&L Contractors; Palmetto Corporation of Conway; and Stone Construction.

The lowest responsive bidder was Coastal Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of \$1,694,747.00 (Base Bid) with Option #1 being \$100,650.50, for a Grand Total of \$1,795,397.50. Engineering & Capital Projects Division of Public Services has thoroughly reviewed the bid and found the tally to be mathematically correct.

Coastal Asphalt is a reputable local company and has successfully completed several similar civil projects in the recent past for Georgetown County. Therefore, I recommend that bid #20-062, Indian Hut Road and Amos Road Extension Paving Improvements, be awarded to Coastal Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of \$1,795,397.50.

Item Number: 6.d

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Purchasing

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Bid #21-100A-Rebid, Pick-Up and Recycling of Waste Tires

CURRENT STATUS:

The previous provider of these services has gone out of business and a new waste tire recycling provider is needed for the County.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

This solicitation was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in Georgetown County, the SC Business Opportunities (SCBO) website, the County's Purchasing webpage, and directly sent to all known offerors. The original bid resulted in a single bid and thus was rebid. Upon opening of the Rebid, the following two (2) bids were received:

- 1) Eight Acres Recycling, LLP of Prosperity, SC.
- 2) US Tire Recycling of Concord, NC.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

These services are currently budgeted in GL Account Number 502.305-50484 at \$100,000 for FY21. At this time, there is currently a balance of \$83,565.10 remaining for FY21. This contract is billed per shipment. Therefore, Environmental Services can and will control the amount of shipments and expense for these services to remain within their allotted budget.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the award.
- 2) Decline to approve staff's recommendation.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

US Tire Recycling offers significant savings for passenger and truck tire recycling at a rate of \$150 per ton for US Tire versus \$340 per ton for Eight Acres. Both bidders were similarly priced for Off Road Tires with US Tire being slightly less at \$500 versus Eight Acres \$575 per ton cost. US Tire does have a flat fee per trip fuel/travel surcharge of \$915 per roundtrip however that Eight Acres does not charge. Despite this, based on the County's estimates of approximately 600 tons of passenger and truck tires and 100 tons of Off Road tires annually over approximately 30 trips, the total annual proposed costs for each bidder would come to \$167,450.00 annually for US Tire and \$261,500.00 annually for Eight Acres Recycling. Based on the aforementioned, award is

recommended to US Tire Recycling at the bid rates proposed.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

Type Description

Recommendation signed by the Director of Public Services, Mr. Ray Funnye Cover Memo



MEMORANDUM

TO: Nancy Silver, Purchasing Officer

FROM: Ray C. Funnye, Director of Public Service

DATE: February 3, 2021

SUBJECT: Bid #20-100A Pick-up and Recycling of Waste Tires

Procurement Recommendation

On Wednesday January 20, 2021 Georgetown County received two (2) qualified bids for the Pick-up and Recycling of Waste Tires, Re-bid # 20-100A.

The two bidders were 8 Acres Recycling LLC and Liberty Tire/US Tire Recycling. US Tire Recycling offers significant savings for the passenger and truck tire recycling rates at \$150 per ton versus \$340. Both of the bidders were similarly priced for Off Road Tires at \$500 and \$575 for US Tire and 8 Acres, respectively. US Tire does have a flat fee per trip for fuel and travel surcharge of \$915 that 8 Acres does not charge. Georgetown County estimates approximately 600 tons of passenger and truck tires and 100 tons of Off Road tires annually in approximately 30 trips. At the current proposed pricing the total annual cost estimate for each bidder is as follows:

	8 Acres Recycling	US Tire Recycling
Passenger and truck tires	\$204,000.00	\$90,000.00
Off road tires	\$57,500.00	\$50,000.00
Per trip fees	0	\$27,450.00
Total Annual Cost	\$261,500.00	\$167,450.00

Even with the flat fee per trip from US Tire, there is significant annual cost savings from US Tire Recycling.

Based on the aforementioned, I recommend US Tire Recycling for the award of bid # 20-100A for the Pick-Up and Recycling of Waste Tires.

Item Number: 7.a

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: PUBLIC HEARINGS

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-02 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property

CURRENT STATUS:

In recent transactions we have declared specific parcels as surplus as the need arose. This process cause a delay in our ability to respond and commit to prospective companies. County Council will still provide input and direction on any possible land sales. This request is simply an effort to streamline the process.

Staff requests that the entire Georgetown County Business Center (the Andrews industrial park) be declared as surplus to expedite transfer of property to prospective companies.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

This is standard operating procedure. We have already taken this step with regards to Pennyroyal and need to be consistent with all of our industrial properties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

OPTIONS:

Approve or Deny

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 21-02.

Recommendations regarding the adoption of Ordinance No. 21-02 are provided under separate report.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

Yes

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Ordinance No. 21-02 - An Ordinance to Authorize

the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property

Ordinance

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	
) ORDINANCE NO:	21-02
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)	

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE ANDREWS BUSINESS PARK LOCATED ALONG US HIGHWAY 521, AS BEING SURPLUS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Georgetown County owns certain real estate adjacent to US Highway 521 near the Town of Andrews, this particular site totaling approximately 550 acres containing paved roads and infrastructure, designated as TMS: 02-0416-035-06-00; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council has determined the purpose of this property is for business and industrial economic development and various parcels located, or to be located, within the property are best suited for these purposes and place Georgetown County in a position to attract growth from various companies; and

WHEREAS, the fair market value of the property has or will continuously be determined thus each parcel contemplated is declared marketable and to be sold to the benefit of Georgetown County; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council, after consideration, finds that it is desirable to declare this site and all future subdivision parcels marketable and transfer the interests by subsequent approval of purchase agreements to be presented to County Council followed by the issuance of an applicable deed to the purchaser; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing discussing the matter was held on February 23, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL, THAT:

- THE COUNTY COUNCIL DECLARES THE IDENTIFIED PROPERTY KNOWN AS ANDREWS BUSINESS PARK, AN APPROXIMATELY 550 ACRE SITE, TMS# 02-0416-035-06-00 (EXHIBIT A), IS FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE VARIOUS PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE PROPERTY (TBD) ARE MARKETABLE AND TO BE SOLD TO THE BENEFIT OF GEORGETOWN COUNTY.
- 2. EACH PARCEL WILL BE SOLD BY APPLICABLE PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNTY COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF SAID DOCUMENT.

Should any word, phrase, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect this ordinance as a whole or any part hereof except that specific provision declared by such court to be invalid or unconstitutional.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance or inconsistent with its provisions, are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final approval of this ordinance.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.

	(Seal)
	Louis R. Morant
	Chairman, Georgetown County Council
ATTEST:	
Theresa E. Floyd, Clerk to Council	
This Ordinance, No. 21-02, has been	reviewed by me and is approved as to form and legality
	H. Thomas Morgan, Jr.
	Interim County Attorney

First Reading: January 12, 2021
Second Reading: January 26, 2021
Third Reading: February 23, 2021

EXHIBIT A



Item Number: 7.b

Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: PUBLIC HEARINGS

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-05 - An Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto

CURRENT STATUS:

Georgetown County Council enacted Ordinance 2014-28 on August 12, 2014 whereby a ballot question for the implementation of a Capital Project Sales Tax was ordained and voted upon during the November 4, 2014 general election.

The voters of Georgetown County, at the 2014 general election, passed the addition of a one cent sales tax (CPST) to be collected within Georgetown County beginning May 1, 2015 with an end date of April 30, 2019. The collection has ended resulting in a surplus of capital project sales tax proceeds.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

In 2020 Georgetown County Council passed Ord. 20-26 whereby \$4,041,353 of the surplus was allocated for capital projects. County Council, after researching and submitting proposals for projects to County administration, is now tasked with the adoption of an ordinance to allocate the remaining 2014 capital project tax surplus proceeds for capital projects.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OPTIONS:

- 1. Adopt Ordinance No. 21-05.
- 2. Do not adopt Ordinance No. 21-05.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Public hearing on Ordinance No. 21-05.

(Recommendations regarding the adoption of Ordinance No. 21-05 provided under separate report)

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Ordinance No 21-05 CPST Surplus

Ordinance

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	
)	ORDINANCE NO. 21-05
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)	

AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING THE REMAINING 2014 CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX SURPLUS PROCEEDS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council enacted Ordinance 2014-28 on August 12, 2014 whereby a ballot question for the implementation of a Capital Project Sales Tax was ordained and voted upon during the November 4, 2014 general election; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Georgetown County, at the 2014 general election, passed the addition of a one cent sales tax (CPST) to be collected within Georgetown County beginning May 1, 2015 with an end date of April 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the collection has ended resulting in a surplus of capital project sales tax proceeds totaling approximately \$12.5 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 County Council passed Ord. 20-26 (reference is craved thereto) whereby \$4,041,353 of the surplus was allocated for capital projects; and

WHEREAS, County Council, after researching and submitting proposals for projects to County administration, is now tasked with the adoption of an ordinance to allocate the remaining 2014 capital project tax surplus proceeds for capital projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained by the Georgetown County Council that the following words and mandates be adopted and authorized, as law:

Section 1:

In direct reference to collected surplus 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax (2014 surplus collections), which ended April 30, 2019, the County expressly ordains and takes the following actions:

- 1. All original projects as submitted and approved by the voters in 2014 are fully funded and related proceeds have been expended or set aside.
- 2. The balance of 2014 surplus collections is approximately \$10 million dollars.
- 3. That the following items be funded and disbursed from 2014 surplus collections:

a.	Emergency Vehicle Traffic Control system	\$ 1	,000,000
b.	DeBordieu Fire Station Plan	\$	199,870
c.	Waverly Road Multimodal Pathway	\$ 1	,853,116
d.	Sewer System Expansion along Powell Road to Mt Zion	\$	294,080
e.	Basketball Court for South Island and Walking Trail	\$	231,200
f.	Tennis Courts for N Santee & Sampit Parks	\$	334,872
g.	Resurface Tennis Courts at South Island Rd	\$	33,750
h.	Lighting, Sign'age on trails in N Santee Sampit, Andrews & Lambertown	\$	88,098
i.	Pleasant Hill NW Park Basketball Court & Playground	\$	82,864
j.	Library Improvements	\$ 1	1,169,425
k.	HVAC systems at N Santee	\$	18,000
I.	Big Dam Swamp Center	\$	650,000
m.	St. Luke Community Center	\$	100,000
n.	Choppee Complex Auditorium Renovations	\$	426,323
o.	Dunbar Park Improvements	\$	61,500

p.	Lanes Creek Park Improvements	\$	45,800
q.	Sandy Island Shelter	\$	6,000
r.	Plantersville Park Improvements	\$	45,000
s.	Sewer Expansion from Choppee to Carver's Bay	\$	289,302
t.	Oatland, St. Paul and Pee Dee Park Improvements	\$	70,800
		\$ 1	7,000,000

- 4. That the projects listed in Section 2-(3) comport with the types of allowable projects listed in South Carolina Code of Laws 4-10-330(A)(1).
- 5. That this ordinance and the allocation of surplus proceeds is made in accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws 4-10-340.
- 6. That the remaining balance of *2014 surplus collections*, if any, be held in account without expenditure until such time the Georgetown County Council determines and ordains subsequent projects for which the surplus may be disbursed.

Section 2:

- 1. The County Administrator and staff are authorized to implement the mandates of this Ordinance and shall set aside, account, and disburse funds, respectively, utilizing the normal course of business and practice methods of Georgetown County.
- 2. Should a court of competent jurisdiction declare any word, phrase, clause or provision of this ordinance invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect this ordinance as a whole or any part hereof except that specific provision declared by such court to be invalid or unconstitutional.
- 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance or inconsistent with its provisions are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.
- 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final approval.

DONE, RATIFIED, ORDAINED, AND ADOPTED TH	IIS DAY OF 2021.
_	Louis R. Morant, Chairman
(SEAL) Attest:	Georgetown County Council
Theresa E. Floyd Clerk to Council	
This Ordinance, No. 21-05, has been reviewed by legality.	me and is hereby approved as to form and
	as Morgan, Jr. County Attorney

Item Number: 8.a Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Parks and Recreation Commission

CURRENT STATUS:

Pending appointment.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

Councilmember Bob Anderson has recommended the appointment of Fred Rourk to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission (representing Council District 2). If appointed, Mr. Rourk will serve a four-year term that will end on March 15, 2025.

Mr. Rourk has submitted an application, which has been provided for consideration.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

n/a

OPTIONS:

- 1. Ratify appointment of Fred Rourk to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission (representing Council District 2).
- 2. Do not ratify this appointment.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation to appoint Mr. Fred Rourk to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission (representing Council District 2).

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Fred Rourk Application
 Backup Material

Theresa Floyd Application February 1, 2021 at 2:34 PM Bob Anderson

, Theresa Floyd

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Hi Bob,

Per your request, please see attached.

Theresa



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[For all yes/no questions please circle appropriate answer]
Name of Board / Commission to which you wish to be appointed / reappointed.
Akport Commission Akphol & Drug Abuse Commission Assessment Appeals Board Assessment Appeals Board ATAX Commission Building Codes Board of Appeals Midway Fire-Rescue Board Codes Codes Airport & Respect & Codes
Name FRED ROURK
Home Address: 198 RAIN TREE LANE, P.T., SC. 29585
Home Phone: Cell Phone: 643-241-4767
Email Address: FISH FREDIO YAHOO, COM
Permanent resident of Georgetown County? (YES) NO Registered Voter in Georgetown County? (YES) NO
Occupation: FISH ING GOLDE Present Employer. SELF
Employer Address: SAm E Wreting most recent employer
Please indicate which best describes the level of education you last completed:
Some High SchoolHigh School Graduate/GEO Some College College Graduate
Professional Degree (phase specify) ASSC DEGREI HVAC
Do you serve on any other state, county, city, or community boards/commissions, or hold an elected office? (Fe)/No (If yes, please list): CAB, MYNIE BEACH, SCAUR, MALUE ADUSORY COMM. Do you have any interest in any business that has, is, or will do business with the County of Georgetown? Yes (No)
Do you have a potential conflict of interest or reason to routinely abstain from voting on this board /commission? Yes (No)
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Summary of Qualifications or Experience that you leed would beneficial to this board/commission: SERVICE ON CITY AND STATE BUARDS, ACTIVITY BUS DILIVER
GEONUETOWN COUNTY SCHOOLS, LITTLE LEAGUE PASEDAU CLACH 10 YEARS
Thereby agree to attend the stated and called meetings of this entity to which I may be appointed and further agree that should I miss three (3) consecutive meetings or, half the meetings within a six-month period, I will resign my appointment. Applicant Signature Date
METE Applications for applications for Committee and Commi

MOTE Applications for service on Georgetown County Boards and Commissions remain on like for 2 years. If you have not been appointed to serve on a board/commission within that the timelyane you may no salamit your application. Prosee note that inderession provided is this application may be subject to SC freedom of information disclosure

Item Number: 8.b Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Zoning Board of Appeals

CURRENT STATUS:

Pending

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

Councilmember Everett Carolina would like to re-appoint **Ms. Eileen Johnson** to an additional term of service on the Zoning Appeals Board *(representing Council District 3)*. Ms. Johnson is eligible for reappointment, and desires to continue serving in this capacity.

There is a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals (representing Council District 5). Councilmember Raymond Newton has recommended the appointment of **Mr. Harry Coker** to fill this seat on the board. Mr. Coker has submitted an application for service on the Zoning Appeals Board, which is provided.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OPTIONS:

- 1. Ratify the appointment of Harry Coker to the Zoning Appeals Board (representing Council District 5) and the reappointment of Eileen Johnson (representing Council District 3).
- 2. Do not ratify these appointments.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation to ratify the appointment of **Mr**. **Harry Coker** to the Zoning Appeals Board *(representing Council District 5)*.

Recommendation to ratify the re-appointment of **Ms. Eileen Johnson** to continue serving on the Zoning Appeals Board *(representing Council District 3).*

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Harry Coker Application
 Backup Material



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QUESTIONAIRE FOR BOARD / COMMISSION

PLEASE PRINT

[For all yes/no questions please circle appropriate answer]

Name of Board / Commission to which you was	wish to be appointed / reapp	pointed:	
Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission Assessment Appeals Board ATAX Commission	Economic Development Alliance Fire District 1 Board Historical Commission Library Board Midway Fire-Rescue Board	Board Parks & Recreation Co Planning Commission Sheriff Advisory Board Tourism Management Zoning Appeals Board Other	I : Commission
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Home Address: 602 N. F.	BRR AVE	Arprews, 5C	29510
Home Phone: 843-264-8175 V	Work Phone:	Cell Phone: <u>843</u>	-240-938
Email Address: harry 1970	yphoo, com		
Permanent resident of Georgetown County?			
Occupation: Retires			<u> </u>
Employer Address:	57 650	[If retired, most recent employ	ver]
Please indicate which best describes the leve	el of education you last comp	oleted:	
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Professional Degree [please specify]			
Do you serve on any other state, county, city	, or community boards/com	missions, or hold an elected offic	e? Yes/No
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Do you have any interest in any business that	t has, is, or will do business v	with the County of Georgetown?	Yes /No
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NOTE: Applications for service on Georgetown County board/commission within that that timeframe you ma	Boards and Commissions remain or	n file for 2 years. If you have not been a	ate appointed to serve on a his application may be

[Please return completed form to Theresa Floyd, Clerk to Council, 716 Prince Street, Georgetown, SC 29440]

Item Number: 10.a Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-02 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property

CURRENT STATUS:

In recent transactions we have declared specific parcels as surplus as the need arose. This process cause a delay in our ability to respond and commit to prospective companies. County Council will still provide input and direction on any possible land sales. This request is simply an effort to streamline the process.

Staff requests that the entire Georgetown County Business Center (the Andrews industrial park) be declared as surplus to expedite transfer of property to prospective companies.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

This is standard operating procedure. We have already taken this step with regards to Pennyroyal and need to be consistent with all of our industrial properties.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

OPTIONS:

Approve or Deny

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation for approval of Ordinance No. 21-02

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

Yes

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Ordinance No. 21-02 - An Ordinance to Authorize the Sale of Parcels Located Within the Andrews Business Park, Located Along Highway 521, as Being Surplus Property

Ordinance

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	
) ORDINANCE NO:	21-02
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)	

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE ANDREWS BUSINESS PARK LOCATED ALONG US HIGHWAY 521, AS BEING SURPLUS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, Georgetown County owns certain real estate adjacent to US Highway 521 near the Town of Andrews, this particular site totaling approximately 550 acres containing paved roads and infrastructure, designated as TMS: 02-0416-035-06-00; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council has determined the purpose of this property is for business and industrial economic development and various parcels located, or to be located, within the property are best suited for these purposes and place Georgetown County in a position to attract growth from various companies; and

WHEREAS, the fair market value of the property has or will continuously be determined thus each parcel contemplated is declared marketable and to be sold to the benefit of Georgetown County; and

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council, after consideration, finds that it is desirable to declare this site and all future subdivision parcels marketable and transfer the interests by subsequent approval of purchase agreements to be presented to County Council followed by the issuance of an applicable deed to the purchaser; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing discussing the matter was held on February 23, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL, THAT:

- THE COUNTY COUNCIL DECLARES THE IDENTIFIED PROPERTY KNOWN AS ANDREWS BUSINESS PARK, AN APPROXIMATELY 550 ACRE SITE, TMS# 02-0416-035-06-00 (EXHIBIT A), IS FOR BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE VARIOUS PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE PROPERTY (TBD) ARE MARKETABLE AND TO BE SOLD TO THE BENEFIT OF GEORGETOWN COUNTY.
- 2. EACH PARCEL WILL BE SOLD BY APPLICABLE PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO BE PRESENTED TO COUNTY COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL PRIOR TO EXECUTION OF SAID DOCUMENT.

Should any word, phrase, clause or provision of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect this ordinance as a whole or any part hereof except that specific provision declared by such court to be invalid or unconstitutional.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance or inconsistent with its provisions, are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final approval of this ordinance.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.

	(Seal)
	Louis R. Morant
	Chairman, Georgetown County Council
ATTEST:	
Theresa E. Floyd, Clerk to Council	
This Ordinance, No. 21-02, has been	reviewed by me and is approved as to form and legality
	H. Thomas Morgan, Jr.
	Interim County Attorney

First Reading: January 12, 2021
Second Reading: January 26, 2021
Third Reading: February 23, 2021

EXHIBIT A



Item Number: 10.b Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Administrator

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-05 - An Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto

CURRENT STATUS:

Georgetown County Council enacted Ordinance 2014-28 on August 12, 2014 whereby a ballot question for the implementation of a Capital Project Sales Tax was ordained and voted upon during the November 4, 2014 general election.

The voters of Georgetown County, at the 2014 general election, passed the addition of a one cent sales tax (CPST) to be collected within Georgetown County beginning May 1, 2015 with an end date of April 30, 2019. The collection has ended resulting in a surplus of capital project sales tax proceeds.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

In 2020 Georgetown County Council passed Ord. 20-26 whereby \$4,041,353 of the surplus was allocated for capital projects. County Council, after researching and submitting proposals for projects to County administration, is now tasked with the adoption of an ordinance to allocate the remaining 2014 capital project tax surplus proceeds for capital projects.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OPTIONS:

- 1. Adopt Ordinance No. 21-05.
- 2. Do not adopt Ordinance No. 21-05.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation for adoption of Ordinance No. 21-05, "An Ordinance Allocating the Remaining 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax Surplus Proceeds for Capital Projects and Other Matters Related Thereto".

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Ordinance No 21-05 CPST Surplus
 Ordinance

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	OPPINANCE NO. 04 OF
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)	ORDINANCE NO. 21-05

AN ORDINANCE ALLOCATING THE REMAINING 2014 CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX SURPLUS PROCEEDS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council enacted Ordinance 2014-28 on August 12, 2014 whereby a ballot question for the implementation of a Capital Project Sales Tax was ordained and voted upon during the November 4, 2014 general election; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Georgetown County, at the 2014 general election, passed the addition of a one cent sales tax (CPST) to be collected within Georgetown County beginning May 1, 2015 with an end date of April 30, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the collection has ended resulting in a surplus of capital project sales tax proceeds totaling approximately \$12.5 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 County Council passed Ord. 20-26 (reference is craved thereto) whereby \$4,041,353 of the surplus was allocated for capital projects; and

WHEREAS, County Council, after researching and submitting proposals for projects to County administration, is now tasked with the adoption of an ordinance to allocate the remaining 2014 capital project tax surplus proceeds for capital projects; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained by the Georgetown County Council that the following words and mandates be adopted and authorized, as law:

Section 1:

In direct reference to collected surplus 2014 Capital Project Sales Tax (2014 surplus collections), which ended April 30, 2019, the County expressly ordains and takes the following actions:

- 1. All original projects as submitted and approved by the voters in 2014 are fully funded and related proceeds have been expended or set aside.
- 2. The balance of 2014 surplus collections is approximately \$10 million dollars.
- 3. That the following items be funded and disbursed from 2014 surplus collections:

a.	Emergency Vehicle Traffic Control system	\$ 1	,000,000
b.	DeBordieu Fire Station Plan	\$	199,870
c.	Waverly Road Multimodal Pathway	\$ 1	,853,116
d.	Sewer System Expansion along Powell Road to Mt Zion	\$	294,080
e.	Basketball Court for South Island and Walking Trail	\$	231,200
f.	Tennis Courts for N Santee & Sampit Parks	\$	334,872
g.	Resurface Tennis Courts at South Island Rd	\$	33,750
h.	Lighting, Sign'age on trails in N Santee Sampit, Andrews & Lambertown	\$	88,098
i.	Pleasant Hill NW Park Basketball Court & Playground	\$	82,864
j.	Library Improvements	\$ 1	1,169,425
k.	HVAC systems at N Santee	\$	18,000
I.	Big Dam Swamp Center	\$	650,000
m.	St. Luke Community Center	\$	100,000
n.	Choppee Complex Auditorium Renovations	\$	426,323
o.	Dunbar Park Improvements	\$	61,500

p.	Lanes Creek Park Improvements	\$	45,800
q.	Sandy Island Shelter	\$	6,000
r.	Plantersville Park Improvements	\$	45,000
s.	Sewer Expansion from Choppee to Carver's Bay	\$	289,302
t.	Oatland, St. Paul and Pee Dee Park Improvements	\$	70,800
		\$ 1	7,000,000

- 4. That the projects listed in Section 2-(3) comport with the types of allowable projects listed in South Carolina Code of Laws 4-10-330(A)(1).
- 5. That this ordinance and the allocation of surplus proceeds is made in accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws 4-10-340.
- 6. That the remaining balance of *2014 surplus collections*, if any, be held in account without expenditure until such time the Georgetown County Council determines and ordains subsequent projects for which the surplus may be disbursed.

Section 2:

- 1. The County Administrator and staff are authorized to implement the mandates of this Ordinance and shall set aside, account, and disburse funds, respectively, utilizing the normal course of business and practice methods of Georgetown County.
- 2. Should a court of competent jurisdiction declare any word, phrase, clause or provision of this ordinance invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect this ordinance as a whole or any part hereof except that specific provision declared by such court to be invalid or unconstitutional.
- 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance or inconsistent with its provisions are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.
- 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final approval.

DONE, RATIFIED, ORDAINED, AND ADOPTED TH	IS DAY OF 2021.
_	Louis R. Morant, Chairman
(SEAL) Attest:	Georgetown County Council
Theresa E. Floyd Clerk to Council	
This Ordinance, No. 21-05, has been reviewed by legality.	me and is hereby approved as to form and
	as Morgan, Jr.

Item Number: 12.a Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-09 – An Ordinance Authorizing (1) the Execution and Delivery of a First Amendment to an Existing Fee In Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement by and Among Georgetown County, South Carolina (The "County"), G2 Composites, LLC (as Successor in Interest to MHG OZ FUND I, LLC), and Eagle Commercial, LLC (as Successor in Interest to MHG OZ FUND II, LLC) to Effect Certain Modifications Thereto; and (2) Other Matters Relating Thereto.

CURRENT STATUS: First Reading by Title	
POINTS TO CONSIDER:	
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	
OPTIONS:	
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:	
ATTORNEY REVIEW:	

Item Number: 16.a Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

Item Type: DEFERRED OR PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED ISSUES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: County Council

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 20-59 - An Ordinance to revise the Rules of Procedure as previously adopted by Georgetown County Council

CURRENT STATUS:

Pending adoption.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

In 1999, Georgetown County Council adopted *Rules of Procedure* pertaining to all meetings and proceedings. Georgetown County Council desires to conduct the public's business in a forthright manner that can be clearly understood by everyone involved.

Ordinance No. 20-59 includes proposed amendments and revisions to update *Rules of Procedure* which shall govern the conduct of meetings of council and other matters provided therein.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

n/a

OPTIONS:

- 1. Adopt Ordinance No. 20-59
- 2. Do not adopt Ordinance No. 20-59.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Deferred pending further review.

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description Type

Ordinance No 20-59 Rules of Procedure
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 Backup Material
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	
)
COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council finds it necessary to conduct the public's business in a forthright manner that can be clearly understood by everyone involved and being so desires to adopt the following rules of procedure; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, Georgetown County Council shall adopt and utilize the following rules of procedure to govern the conduct of meetings of council and other matters provided therein:

ARTICLE ONE RULES

- 1-1. The following set of rules shall be in effect upon adoption by the Georgetown County Council (hereinafter "Council"). These rules shall pertain to all meetings and proceedings. Items not covered in these rules shall be decided in accordance with the South Carolina Association of Counties *Model Rules of Parliamentary Procedure, 3rd Edition* (hereinafter "*Model Rules*"). Any question of parliamentary procedure that cannot first be concluded from these adopted rules and then second from the *Model Rules*, will be decided utilizing the latest edition of *Robert's Rules of Order*.
- 1-2. All committees of Council or advisory boards and commissions shall adopt and enforce rules of procedure and decorum consistent with the rules of Council.

ARTICLE TWO OFFICERS

2-1. CHAIRPERSON: At the first meeting of the Council in January following each general election, the Council shall select one of its members to serve as Chairperson for a two year term. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Council and may execute on behalf of Council all official instruments or documents unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of Council. The Chairperson shall preserve order and decorum at all meetings, and shall state every question coming before Council, announce the decision of the Council, and decide questions of order. Any Council member may appeal the decision of the Chairperson on a question of order, and two thirds of those members present shall conclusively determine such question of order.

- 2-2. <u>VICE-CHAIRPERSON:</u> At the first meeting of the Council in January following the general election, the Council shall select one of its members to serve as Vice-Chairperson for a two year term. In the event that the Chairperson is absent or unable to serve, the Vice-Chairperson shall serve as Chairperson. In the event that the office of Chairperson is vacated, the Vice-Chairperson shall succeed to that office and another member shall be elected by Council to serve as Vice-Chairperson. When the Chairperson is absent from a regular or special meeting of the Council, or unavailable at the time execution on behalf of the Council is necessary, the Vice-Chairperson may execute on behalf of the Council all official instruments or documents unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of Council.
- 2-3. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:** The Council, via a contract agreement, shall employ an Administrator, not a member of the Council, who shall be the Chief Administrative Officer of the County Government and shall be responsible for the administration of all the departments of the County Government which the Council has the authority to control. The County Administrator shall be apolitical, refraining from participation in the election of the members of the employing Council and from partisan political activities which would impair performance as a professional administrator. The Administrator shall be employed with regard to executive and administrative qualifications only, and need not be a resident of the County at the time of employment. The term of the employment shall be for a definite term or at the pleasure of the Council. Before the Administrator may be removed from the position, the Council shall deliver to the Administrator a written statement of the reasons for the proposed removal including notice of the Administrator's right to a public hearing at a public meeting of the Council. Within five (5) days after delivery of the notice of removal, the Administrator may file with the Council a written request for a public hearing. This hearing shall be held by Council not earlier than twenty (20) days nor later than thirty (30) days after the request is filed. The Administrator may also file with the Council a written reply not later than five (5) days before the hearing. The removal of the Administrator shall not be effective until after the decision of the Council following the public hearing if one is held.
 - 2-3.1 **POWERS AND DUTIES:** The power and duties of the Administrator shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - a. To serve as the Chief Administrative and Executive Officer of the County Government;
 - b. To execute the policies, directives and legislative actions of the Council;
 - c. To direct and coordinate operational agencies and administrative activities of the County Government;
 - d. To supervise expenditure of appropriated funds;

- e. To prepare annual, monthly, and other reports for Council on finances and administrative activities of the County;
- f. To be responsible for the administration of the County personnel policies including salary and classification plans approved by the Council;
- g. To be responsible for the employment and discharge of personnel in those departments in which the employment authority is vested in the County Council. This authority shall not extend to any personnel employed in departments or agencies under the direction of an elected official nor to personnel appointed by the Council.
- h. To prepare annual operating and capital improvement budgets and submit them to the Council at such time as the Council determines, including with the submission a statement describing the important features of the proposed budget such as all sources of anticipated revenue and the amount of tax revenue required to meet the financial requirements of the County. The Administrator shall offer a certification stating that, in the Administrator's opinion, the proposed budget does not exceed anticipated revenues for the period concerned and he/she shall assure that there is full compliance.
- To execute on behalf of the Council official instruments or documents, including the power to contract and bind the County;
- j. To take all actions to provide for the County's compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and to maintain the physical properties of the County in good and safe state of repair and condition; and
- k. To perform such duties as may be required by the Council or authorized under the Council-Administrator form of government found in the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.
- 2-3.2 **NO AUTHORITY OVER ELECTED OFFICIALS:** With the exception of organizational and administrative policies established by the Council, the County Administrator shall exercise no direct authority over any elected official of the County whose offices were created by the Constitution or by the general law of the state.
- 2-3.3 COUNCIL TO DEAL WITH EMPLOYEES THROUGH ADMINISTRATOR: Except for the purposes of official Council approved inquiries and investigations in accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. § 4-9-660, the Council shall deal with County directors and employees who are subject to the supervision of the County Administrator solely through the Administrator, and neither the Council nor its individual members shall give orders or instructions directly to any such officers or employees.

- 2-3.4 **ABSENCE OR DISABILITY:** During the extended absence or disability of the Administrator, the Council shall designate another person to serve as acting Administrator.
- 2-3.5 THE RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL: The Administrator shall maintain high standards of integrity and confidence and adhere to the highest ethical and moral principles in the execution of duties. It shall be the Administrator's duty to continue to keep abreast of advances and developments in County Government administration. When the Council has established a policy in reference to any matter the County Administrator is directed to execute and administer that policy without further action by Council. In the event that any policies established by Council shall need changes or further definition it shall be the duty of the County Administrator to recommend to County Council in writing the proposed changes or definitions. It shall be the duty of the County Administrator to promulgate, implement and execute administrative policies for the management of operational functions of county government, and to propose necessary legislative and public policies for adoption by Council in order that such polices shall be executed without further action by Council.
- 2-3.6 **ACTIVITY REPORT:** The County Administrator is authorized and directed to develop and require submission of activity reports from all departments and agencies at such intervals and in such form as the County Administrator shall determine.
- 2.37 <u>OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT:</u> The County Administrator will devote his/her full time to the administration of the County Government. Outside employment is prohibited unless approved by a majority vote of the members of Council and may be reflected in the Administrator's employment contract.
- 2-4. <u>CLERK:</u> The Council shall appoint a Clerk for an indefinite term. The Clerk shall record all proceedings of the Council and keep a journal of the proceedings which shall be open to public inspection; deliver copies of the minutes of each Council meeting to all members of Council prior to the next regular meeting; keep a register of all Ordinances and Resolutions, assigning them a number and arranging them in order of introduction, and shall assist in their indexing and codification; attest the signature of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson or County Administrator on official instruments or documents. During the disability or extended absence of the Clerk, the Council may designate an acting Clerk.
 - 2-4.1 **PERMANENT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS:** Minutes of all Council meetings and work sessions shall be taken in summary form. All Council member

votes shall be recorded in the minutes. The recordings of all Council meetings shall be permanently maintained for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of the meeting. Minutes of Council meetings will be transcribed verbatim only when requested by a Council member for a particular meeting or a portion of a meeting.

2-5. **COUNTY ATTORNEY:** The Council shall establish the position of County Attorney who shall provide general counsel to the County Administrator and Council. The County Administrator shall hire and supervise the County Attorney.

The County Attorney shall prepare or review all drafts of ordinances or resolutions as authorized by Council or the County Administrator for legal sufficiency, advise Council and the County Administrator on legal matters, and provide such other legal assistance to county departments and agencies as the County Administrator may authorize.

The County Attorney shall attend all regular meetings of Council and shall attend all special meetings of Council upon the request of the County Administrator. The County Attorney is not required to attend Committee meetings unless requested to do so by the County Administrator. The County Attorney shall refrain from participation in the election of the members of Georgetown County Council or other Georgetown County elected officials.

ARTICLE THREE MEETINGS

3-1. <u>MEETING ATTENDANCE:</u> The Council shall convene its regular meeting for the transaction of official business in the Georgetown County Council Chambers, unless otherwise specified by Council, with each member of Council generally making every effort to attend. If, however, for any reason a member of Council cannot attend any scheduled public meeting, he/she should notify the Clerk to Council prior to the beginning of the meeting to notify the Council and the public of the reason for the absence.

3-2. **MEETINGS, REGULAR**

- 3-2.1 Regular meetings of Council shall be held in accordance with a schedule prescribed by Council and made public at the beginning of each calendar year. The Council may vary the schedule upon concurrence of a majority.
- 3-2.2 Requests for agenda matters and supporting materials shall be provided to the County Administrator no later than 12:00 p.m. seven (7) days prior to the regular meeting date. Upon approval of the Chairperson, the agenda is set by the County Administrator no later than Friday of the week

preceding the regular Council meeting. Publication of the agenda shall be on Friday prior to the regular meeting or as soon as practicable thereafter, and, pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (as amended) the agenda is posted online and available upon request no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.

3-3. **MEETINGS, SPECIAL**

- 3-3.1 The Chairperson or the majority of the members of Council may call special meetings of the Council.
- 3-3.2 All Council members shall be given written notice of a special meeting that specifies the subject matter to be discussed.
- 3-3.3 Twenty four (24) hours' notice must be given for a special meeting and the agenda is posted online no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.

3-4. **MEETINGS, EMERGENCY**

- 3-4.1 The Chairperson, or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairperson, may call an emergency meeting.
- 3-4.2 An emergency meeting notice must be supported by a subject matter found in the South Carolina Code of Laws as constituting an emergency.
- 3-4.3 Only the items specified as constituting the emergency shall be considered at the emergency meeting.
- 3-4.4 Notice to all the Council of an emergency meeting will be by telephone, email, or other means as soon as practicable by no less than two (2) hours before the meeting.

3-5. MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS, AND WORK SESSIONS

- 3-5.1 The Chairperson may call a Briefing Meeting or Work Session or such meeting may be scheduled at a regular Council meeting.
- 3-5.2 All Council members shall be given written notice of a Briefing or Work Session Meeting that specifies the subject matter to be discussed at least two (2) days before the meeting. The agenda shall be posted online no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.

3-5.3 The primary purpose of a Briefing or Work Session meeting shall be to present in-depth information and to provide an opportunity for the Council to raise questions for the purpose of making more informed decisions on complex issues that would take undue time at a regular meeting.

3-6. **MEETINGS, PUBLIC HEARING**

- 3-6.1 The Council shall hold public hearings for those matters required by law and may hold public hearings for any purpose the Council deems appropriate. Public hearings shall be held before final action is taken to:
 - a. Adopt annual operational and capital improvement budgets;
 - b. Make appropriations, including supplemental appropriations;
 - c. Adopt building, housing, electrical, plumbing, gas, and other regulatory codes involving penalties;
 - d. Adopt zoning and subdivision regulations;
 - e. Levy taxes; and
 - f. Sell, lease or contract to sell or lease real property owned by the County.
- 3-6.2 Such public hearings shall be advertised as required by law. If there is no applicable law, public hearings shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the community at least fifteen (15) days prior to such hearing with notices and agenda posted online no later than twenty four (24) hours before the hearing.
- 3-6.3 A public hearing is understood to be a forum for people interested in the subject matter to present information to the Council for their consideration as they deliberate an issue. It is not a forum for opponents and proponents to debate their differences nor is it a forum for debate or argument between members of Council and opponents or proponents, or each other.
- 3-6.4 Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes.
- 3-6.5 The presiding officer may terminate a presentation that is covering the same information covered by a previous speaker. Such speakers shall be encouraged to simply state their agreement with a previous speaker and bring new information to the subject.
- 3-6.6 In addition to verbal presentation, written material may be submitted to the Council for their consideration but the receipt and handout of written material shall not cause the flow of the meeting to stop.

3-6.7 The public hearing will be limited to a total of thirty (30) minutes for formal presentations.

3-7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 3-7.1 The Council may hold an executive session only for a purpose permitted by the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, as amended. These purposes are defined in the South Carolina Code of Laws and are generally are limited to:
 - a. Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee, or a person regulated by a public body, or the appointment of a person to a public body.
 - b. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal of advice, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against said agency of a claim.
 - c. Discussion regarding the development of security personnel or devices.
 - d. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.
 - e. Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of an industry or other business in the area served.
- 3-7.2 To hold an executive session, a motion must be made stating the specific purpose of the executive session or referring to the published agenda wherein the specific purpose is listed, seconded, and adopted to go onto executive session.
- 3-7.3 No vote shall be taken in executive session.

3-8. **ELECTRONIC MEETINGS**

3-8.1 Upon authorization and vote, and in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (also referred herein as "the Act"), Council and all Georgetown County Boards and Commissions (collectively referred to throughout as "the Governing Body") conduct public meetings exclusively in electronic form, provided the medium for such meeting, whether telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media,

or any combination of these, and the conduct of the electronic meeting, allows for the following standards and practices to be met:

- (a) At the beginning of any electronic meeting, the presiding officer shall poll the members of the Governing Body to confirm attendance, and any member of the Governing Body attending by way of electronic media shall be considered present for the purposes of constituting a quorum.
- (b) Throughout the duration of the electronic meeting, all members of the Governing Body, as well as any officials or staff required to speak at such meeting, must have the capability to be heard at all times by any other member of the governing body and by the general public.
- (c) Any vote of the Governing Body must be conducted by individual voice vote of the members of the Governing Body, who shall verbally indicate their vote on any matter by stating "yay" or "nay." All individual votes shall be recorded by the clerk, secretary, or presiding officers, as appropriate.
- (d) Meetings shall be recorded or minutes kept in the same manner as an in-person meeting as required by the Act; provided, however, any digital broadcast of the meeting is not required to be kept as a record by the Governing Body.
- (e) All members of the governing body, officials, staff, and presenters should identify themselves and be recognized prior to speaking. Members of the Governing Body shall comply with the rules of the Governing Body as they relate to procedural matters in order to preserve order and allow for the effectiveness of electronic meetings.
- (f) Electronic executive sessions shall be permitted in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Governing Body shall properly announce its reason for going into any executive session in conformance with Section 30-4-70 of the Act. Upon the entry into any electronic executive session, meeting minutes need not be kept and the electronic meeting utilized for such executive session may be held by (i) a separate telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these wherein the public shall not be permitted to participate, or (ii) on the initial telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these, with the implementation of necessary participation or listening restrictions, provided that in either instance all members of the Governing Body must have the capability to be heard at all times.

- (g) With respect to any electronic meeting, any public comment periods provided for by local ordinance, resolution, policy, or bylaws are hereby suspended. In lieu of public comment periods, members of the public may submit their written public comments via email to the Clerk to Council tfloyd@gtcounty.org which shall be distributed to the members of the Governing Body.
- (h) With respect to public hearings required by the South Carolina Code of Laws, said public hearings shall be conducted electronically as provided herein. All public comments made during such hearing shall be submitted in writing to the Clerk to Council via either:

 U.S. Mail addressed to: Clerk to Council Georgetown County Council 716 Prince Street Georgetown, South Carolina 29440
 Email addressed to tfloyd@gtcounty.org

All comments must be received one (1) hour prior to the scheduled hearing. The comments shall be distributed to the members of the Governing Body prior to the public hearing and read into the record at the time of the public hearing. The comments shall be limited to three hundred (300) words or less. In the event more than ten (10) comments are received, the Chairperson is authorized to paraphrase the reading of the comments into the record in order to optimize time efficiency of the public hearing.

ARTICLE FOUR QUORUM

4-1. **QUORUM:** A majority of the seven members of the Council shall constitute a quorum to begin a meeting for the transaction of official business.

ARTICLE FIVE PUBLISHED AGENDA

5-1 <u>PUBLISHED AGENDA:</u> For all regularly scheduled meetings, the Council shall address itself to an established, published agenda. The Council shall approve the published agenda, including the Consent Agenda and the Executive Session agenda.

Once an agenda for a regular, special, called or rescheduled meeting is posted, no items may be added to the agenda without an additional 24-hour notice to the

public. The notice must be made in the same manner as the original posting.

After a meeting begins, an action item which is not a final action and for which public comment has been or will be received at a publicly noticed meeting, may be added to the agenda by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

After a meeting begins, an action item which is a final action or for which there will be no opportunity for public comment, may be added to the agenda by

- a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, and
- a finding that an emergency or exigent circumstance exists (an exigent circumstance would be considered an urgent or time-sensitive issue).
- 5-1.1 A public comment period may be the first item of business on the agenda and shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Each speaker will be limited to no more than three (3) minutes. If there are more than ten speakers, time allotted will be reduced to allow all speakers signed in to present within the 30 minute period. No speaker may yield his/her allotted time to another speaker. Members of the public who wish to address Council during the public input period shall sign up with the Clerk of Council before the meeting is called to order by the presiding officer. Preference as to the order of the speakers shall be given to those who have notified the Clerk in advance of the meeting of their desire to speak. When there are several members of the public present to address the same issue, one spokesperson shall be chosen on behalf of the group and the presiding officer has the authority to enforce this provision. A public comment period is not required under the South Carolina Code of Laws, rather it is authorized by Council as a means for the citizenry to speak to their representatives in a public setting. Consequently, no person shall be allowed to indulge in personalities, use language personally offensive, charge deliberate misrepresentation, or use language tending to hold a member of Council, a member of the County staff, or a member of the public up to contempt or ridicule.
- 5-1.2 Any Council member desiring to place an item on the agenda shall notify the Chairperson. The Chairperson shall notify the Clerk no later than 12:00 p.m. 7 days prior to the regular meeting. This provision shall include the names and applications of appointees to various county boards and commissions.
- 5-1.3 The consent agenda may consist of items that are more than likely not to be controversial as well as any ordinance proposed for first reading. Any Council member may request that an item be placed on the consent agenda, and any member may request that an item be removed therefrom. Any ordinance may be read in at first reading by title only.

ARTICLE SIX DECORUM AND DEBATE

- 6-1. When a measure is before the Council for consideration, the presiding officer shall recognize the appropriate individual to present the case.
- 6-2. When two (2) or more members wish to speak, the presiding officer shall decide and recognize such members in turn.
- 6-3. No member of Council shall interrupt another while speaking, except to make a point of order or make a point of personal privilege.
- 6-4. The presiding officer shall not be obligated to recognize any Council member for a second comment on a subject or amendment until every Council member wishing to speak has been allowed a first comment.
- 6-5. No member shall speak more than five (5) minutes on any subject or amendment. Such member may use his/her time in any combination, in separate speech or comments totaling five (5) minutes. Council members shall also have the right to yield a portion of their time to another member.
- 6-6. Any member wishing to speak more than five (5) minutes on any question or any amendment to the question shall be accorded the privilege without objection or upon motion supported by two-thirds of the Council members present.
- 6-7. The Council may agree to limit debate on any item of business before it. That agreement may be formalized by a majority vote of the Council.
- 6-8. The presiding officer shall not entertain any dilatory motions.
- 6-9. No Council member shall be permitted to indulge in personalities, use language personally offensive, arraign motives of members, charge deliberate misrepresentation, or use other language tending to hold a member of Council or the public up to contempt or ridicule.
- 6-10. If a member is speaking or otherwise transgressing the rules of the Council, the presiding officer shall, or any Council member may, call him or her to order. In such case, he or she shall immediately be silent unless permitted to explain. The Council shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate. If the decision is in favor of the member called to order, he/she shall be at liberty to proceed, but otherwise shall remain silent.

6-11. Any member found in violation of the rules of Council by a majority vote of Council may be censured.

ARTICLE SEVEN VOTING

- 7-1. A member may cast his/her vote in person or by any electronic means if a member is unable to attend in person. No members of the County Council, or a committee, shall be allowed under any circumstances to vote by proxy at any Council or Committee meeting.
- 7-2. Any member may request a roll call vote at any time.
- 7-3. No member shall vote on any question where his/her private interest in the matter presents a conflict of interest (according to the South Carolina State Ethics Act). Members shall declare their conflict of interest in an issue and refrain from participating in the discussion or the vote on the issue. The meeting minutes shall reflect any conflict of interest declaration.

ARTICLE EIGHT COUNCIL DECISIONS

8-1. The members of Council have the responsibility to establish policy, make Council decisions, and adopt ordinances which in the majority view will be in the best interest of Georgetown County and all its citizens. Council members thus have an obligation to expect differences of opinion and to respect the views of each individual member of Council. At the same time, individual members should recognize that when the Council has made a decision, the issue has been decided whether or not they were in the majority or the minority.

ARTICLE NINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 9-1. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN GENERAL: The Council shall take legislative action by Ordinance. Executive action shall be taken by Resolution.
- 9-2. **READINGS:** With the exception of emergency ordinances, all ordinances shall be read at three public meetings of Council on three separate days with an interval of not less than seven days between the second and third reading. A verbatim reading of an ordinance shall not be required unless such reading is requested by a member.
- 9-3. **FIRST READING:** An ordinance may be introduced for first reading by title only at any meeting of Council. No debate or amendment shall be in order unless a

member makes a motion to invoke the pending ordinance doctrine for a zoning ordinance matter. The ordinance may be referred by the Chairperson to an appropriate committee or to the Council as a whole.

- 9-4. **SECOND READING:** Reports on a proposed ordinance shall be presented at the next regular meeting after the first reading. Prior to second reading, a draft of the text of the ordinance shall be delivered to every member. After the proposed ordinance has been read, amendments shall be in order, but shall not be considered unless they are germane to the proposed ordinance. Any member of the Council may require that amendments be in writing. After all amendments and privileged motions, if any, are disposed of, the question shall be, shall the ordinance receive second reading.
- 9-5. **THIRD READING:** After the ordinance has been given second reading, and if a public hearing has been held if required by law or action of Council, it shall be given third reading at a subsequent public meeting and amendments may be offered on third reading the same as on second reading. After all amendments and privileged motions, if any are disposed of, the question shall be passage of the ordinance.
- 9-6. **VOTES REQUIRED FOR PASSAGE:** With the exception of those items requiring a 2/3rd majority or alternate majority type for approval as found in State law, no ordinance or amendment shall be adopted unless at least a majority of the members present shall have voted for its passage on second and third readings. The repeal or amendment of ordinances shall follow the same procedure set forth for adoption.
- 9-7. **EMERGENCY ORDINANCES:** To meet public emergencies, affecting life, health, safety of the property of the people, Council may adopt emergency ordinances, but such ordinances shall not levy taxes, grant, renew, or extend a franchise or impose or change a service rate. Every emergency ordinance shall be designated as such and shall contain declaration that an emergency exists and shall describe the emergency. An emergency ordinance is effective immediately upon its enactment without regard to any reading, public hearing, publication requirement, or public notice. Such ordinances shall expire automatically as of the 61st day of the following enactment.
- 9-8. <u>CODIFICATION:</u> All ordinances enacting general law shall be compiled, indexed, codified, and made available online. Further, all ordinances, regardless of type, shall be kept by the Clerk and maintained in a permanent record of all ordinances adopted. Nothing herein prevents any requirement of this section from being satisfied by electronic means.

- 9-9. **EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCES:** Ordinances shall take effect on the day the ordinance is given third reading unless another date is specified in the ordinance.
- 9-10. **RESOLUTIONS:** A resolution shall require only one reading for its adoption, and may be adopted at either a regular or special meeting by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting.
- 9-11. **STANDARD CODES OR TECHNICAL REGULATIONS:** The Council may adopt any standard code or technical regulation by reference.

ARTICLE TEN COMMITTEES

- 10-1. APPOINTMENTS TO STANDING COMMITTEES: All members of Council shall be appointed to serve on at least one of the Council standing committees. Standing committee appointments shall be made by the Chairperson no later than the second regular meeting of Council in January following each general election and the Chairperson shall also designate the respective Chairperson of each committee. Members of the standing committees shall serve until the next general election of Council, unless they are removed by their consent or cease to be member of Council. Each standing committee shall consist of not less than three members.
- 10-2. **STANDING COMMITTEES:** Standing committees of the Council shall be as follows:
 - 10-2.1 An Administration and Finance Committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.
 - 10-2.2 A Health, Education, and Leisure Committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.
 - 10-2.3 A Justice and Safety Committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.
 - 10-2.4 A Public Works Committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.
 - 10-2.5 Ad-Hoc Committees: Upon the authorization of Council, their Chairperson may appoint ad-hoc committees composed of Council members, a combination of council members and citizens, or citizen members only to study and advise council on a specific issue. Such committees shall function for a specific time periods and shall be dissolved at the end of the time period or when their business is finished, whichever is the earliest. The time period for

existence of such committees may be extended for a time certain by action of the Council.

- 10-2.6 Committee Meetings and Reports: Committee meetings shall be held on the call of the Chairperson of the committee upon two days' notice of such meeting to each committee member, unless all of the members of the committee waive such notice and agree upon an earlier time for such meeting but no earlier than 24 hours before the scheduled start of the meeting. A quorum for each committee shall consist of a majority of its members. The Chairperson of a standing committee shall report upon the activities of the committee at a regular council meeting, and a time for such reports shall be deemed to be included in every agenda when the subject matter of the report has previously been referred to the committee. Each committee shall function as an advisory committee to the County Administrator when the Administrator so requests and to the County Council. Each committee shall investigate, gather information, make inquiries, and study the issues under its jurisdiction with a purpose of keeping the Council fully informed. Committees may make reports to the Council with recommendations for action by the Council. Action taken by any committee shall not be construed as action taken by the Council until the subject matter of the committee's action has been presented at a regular or special meeting of the Council and acted upon by the Council in accordance with these rules.
- 10-2.7 Recall of Referred Matters: Any matter which has been referred to a committee may be recalled by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of Council in attendance of a Council meeting.

ARTICLE ELEVEN PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

- 11-1 <u>CHAIRPERSON TO VOTE:</u> The Chairperson shall vote in all cases except where a personal conflict exists.
- 11-2 **PRIVILEGE OF COUNCILMEMBERS:** A Council member shall have the privilege of having an abstract of the member's statement on any subject under consideration by the Council member entered in the minutes.
- 11-3 **STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL:** No Council member shall make or issue any statement which purports to speak on behalf of the entire Council or the Council as a body at any time unless the issue is question has been duly adopted by the Council. The Chairperson shall thereupon be the official spokesman for

Council unless the Chairperson has recommended and the Council has approved another person to serve as the spokesman on a particular issue.

- 11-4 WHEN MOTIONS ARE DEBATABLE: All motions, except motions to adjourn, to recess, to lay on the table, and questions of order or privilege, shall be debatable. No motion shall be debated until it has been stated by the Chairperson. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chairperson without debate, subject to an appeal to the Council.
- 11-5 <u>MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER:</u> A motion to reconsider any action taken by the Council may be made only on the day such action was taken or at the next regular meeting of Council. Such motion must be made by a Council member voting on the prevailing side, but may be seconded by any other Council member, and may be made at any time.
- 11-6 <u>MOTIONS THAT INTERRUPT A SPEAKER:</u> Only the following motions shall be permitted to interrupt a speaker:
 - 11-6.1 A question of order. This question is to the effect that the rules of Council are not being adhered to. It is not debatable and does not require a second.
 - 11-6.2 A question of privilege. This question relates to the rights and privileges of a member of the Council, i.e., charges made against the official character of a member; that the member has not been furnished with pertinent information available to other members of Council; that the member did not hear or understand a statement presented to Council, etc. It does not require a second.
 - 11-6.3 A motion to adjourn. This motion is not debatable but does require a second.
- 11-7. MOTIONS THAT CANNOT INTERRUPT A SPEAKER BUT MAY INTERRUPT THE PROCEEDINGS: The following motions cannot interrupt a speaker without the speaker's consent but may interrupt the proceedings and shall be received during debate:
 - A motion to lay on the table. The motion removes the subject from consideration until the Council votes to again consider the subject. It is not debatable but does require a second. Any item remaining on the table at the adjournment of the regular meeting following the meeting where the motion to lay on the table was approved shall be permanently removed from Council consideration.

- 11-7.2 A motion for the previous/to call the question. This motion is to the effect that the debate now cease, and the Council immediately proceed to vote on the pending question. It is not debatable but does require a second.
- 11-7.3 A motion to adjourn debate to a subsequent meeting. The effect of this motion is to postpone the subject to the time specified in the motion and until which time it cannot be taken up except by majority vote of the Council. It is debatable and does require a second.
- 11-7.4 A motion to commit or recommit. The effect of this motion is to refer the subject to a committee. It is debatable and requires a second.
- 11-7.5 A motion to amend. This motion is debatable and requires a second.

The above motions have precedence in the order listed.

- **11.8 MOTIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A SECOND:** The following motions do not require a second.
 - 11.8-1 Inquiries of any kind.
 - 11.8-2 Leave to withdraw a motion.
 - 11.8-3 Nominations.
 - 11.8-4 Point of order.
 - 11.8-5 Question of privilege.

ARTICLE TWELVE DOCUMENTS

12-1. **DOCUMENTS OF THE COUNTY:** All documents, files, correspondence, reports, records, and other written, printed or electronic material or information pertaining to the business of Georgetown County or to any of its departments or personnel, prepared, received or used by the County Administrator or any other County official or employee in the course of County employment shall be the property of Georgetown County. No such material or information shall be removed from the custody of Georgetown County at any time. Individuals seeking

- to obtain information related hereto shall may be able to do so in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, as amended.
- 12-2. **PERSONNEL FILES:** Personnel files are confidential information and shall be available to Council members only as a part of an official inquiry or investigation authorized by Council.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN SEAL

13-1. **SEAL OF THE COUNTY OR COUNCIL:** The seal of Georgetown County or the Georgetown County Council shall not be required upon execution or attestation of any document.

ARTICLE FOURTEEN SUSPENSION OF RULES

14-1. <u>SUSPENSION OF RULES:</u> Any of these rules may be suspended except those which are matters of State law, upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Council.

ARTICLE FIFTEEN AMENDMENT OF RULES

15-1. **AMENDMENT OF RULES:** Amendment of these ruled shall be by ordinance.

	TED RULES OF PROCEDURE BY GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL UNDER RE HEREBY REPEALED AND REPLACED WITH THIS ORDINANCE.
ADOPTED this day o	of, 2021 by a vote of Georgetown County Council.
	 Chairperson
ATTEST:	·
Theresa E. Floyd, Clerk	

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This ordinance is approved as to form and content.

H. Thomas Morgan, Jr., Esq. Interim Georgetown County Attorney

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF GEORGETOWN)

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council finds it necessary to conduct the public's business in a forthright manner that can be clearly understood by everyone involved and being so desires to adopt the following rules of procedure; AND

NOW, THEREFORE, <u>Georgetown</u> County Council shall adopt and utilize the following rules of procedure to govern the conduct of meetings of council and other matters provided therein:

ARTICLE ONE

RULES

- 1-1. The following set of rules shall be in effect upon adoption by the Georgetown County Council (hereinafter "Council"). These rules shall pertain to all meetings and proceedings. These rules shall take precedence over other rules of Council. Items not specifically covered in these rules shall be decided in accordance with the South Carolina Association of Counties Model Rules of Parliamentary Procedure, 3rd—2nd Edition (hereinafter "Model Rules"). Any question of parliamentary procedure that cannot first be concluded from these adopted rules and then second from the Model Rules, will be decided utilizing the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.
- 1-2. All committees of Council or advisory boards and commissions shall adopt and enforce rules of procedure and decorum consistent with the rules of Council.

ARTICLE TWO

OFFICERS

2-1. CHAIRPERSON: At the first meeting of the Council in January following each general election, the Council shall select one of its members to serve as Chairperson for a two year term. The Chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the Council and may execute on behalf of Council all official instruments or documents unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of Council. The Chairperson shall preserve order and decorum at all meetings, and shall state every question coming before Council, announce the decision of the Council, and

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decide questions of order. Any Council member may appeal the decision of the Chairperson on a question of order, and two thirds of those members present shall conclusively determine such question of order.

- 2-2. <u>VICE-CHAIRPERSON</u>: At the first meeting of the Council in January following the general election, the Council shall select one of its members to serve as Vice-Chairperson for a two year term. In the event that the Chairperson is absent or unable to serve, the Vice-Chairperson shall serve as Chairperson. In the event that the office of Chairperson is vacated, the Vice-Chairperson shall succeed to that office and another member shall be elected by Council to serve as Vice-Chairperson. When the Chairperson is absent from a regular or special meeting of the Council, or unavailable at the time execution on behalf of the Council is necessary, the Vice-Chairperson may execute on behalf of the Council all official instruments or documents unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of Council.
- **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:** The Council, via a contract agreement, shall employ 2-3. an Administrator, not a member of the Council, who shall be the Chief Administrative Officer of the County Government and shall be responsible for the administration of all the departments of the County Government which the Council has the authority to control. The County Administrator shall be apolitical, refraining from participation in the election of the members of the employing Council and from partisan political activities which would impair performance as a professional administrator. The Administrator shall be employed with regard to executive and administrative qualifications only, and need not be a resident of the County at the time of employment. The term of the employment shall be for a definite term – or at the pleasure of the Council. Before the Administrator may be removed from the position-office, the Council shall deliver to the Administrator a written statement of the reasons for the proposed removal, including and notice of the Administrator's right to a public hearing at a public meeting of the Council. Within five (5) days after delivery of the notice of removal, the Administrator may file with the Council a written request for a public hearing. This hearing shall be held by Council not earlier than twenty (20) days nor later than thirty (30) days after the request is filed. The Administrator may also file with the Council a written reply not later than five (5) days before the hearing. The removal of the Administrator shall not be effective until after the decision of the Council following the public hearing if one is held.
 - 2-3.1 **POWERS AND DUTIES:** _____ The power and duties of the Administrator shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - To serve as the Chief Administrative and Executive Officer of the County Government;

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- To execute the policies, directives and legislative actions of the Council;
- To direct and coordinate operational agencies and administrative activities of the County Government;
- d. To supervise expenditure of appropriated funds;
- To prepare annual, monthly, and other reports for Council on finances and administrative activities of the County;

To be responsible for the administration of the County personnel policies including salary and classification plans approved by the Council;

To be responsible for the employment and discharge of personnel in those departments in which the employment authority is vested in the County Council. This authority shall not extend to any personnel employed in departments or agencies under the direction of an elected official nor to personnel appointed by the Council.

To prepare annual operating and capital improvement budgets and submit them to the Council at such time as the Council determines, including with the submission a statement describing the important features of the proposed budget such as all sources of anticipated revenue and the amount of tax revenue required to meet the financial requirements of the County. The Administrator shall offeraffix a certification stating that, in the Administrator's opinion, the proposed budget does not exceed anticipated revenues for the period concerned and he/she shall assure that there is full compliance.

To execute on behalf of the Council official instruments or documents, including the power to contract and bind the County;

To take all actions to provide for the County's compliance with applicable laws and regulations, and to maintain the physical properties of the County in good and safe state of repair and condition; and

k. To perform such duties as may be required by the Council<u>or</u> authorized under the Council-Administrator form of government found in the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

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- 2-3.2 **NO AUTHORITY OVER ELECTED OFFICIALS:** With the exception of organizational and administrative policies established by the Council, the County Administrator shall exercise no <u>direct</u> authority over any elected official of the County whose offices were created by the Constitution or by the general law of the state.
- 2-3.3 COUNCIL TO DEAL WITH EMPLOYEES THROUGH ADMINISTRATOR: Except for the purposes of official Council approved inquiries and investigations in accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. § 4-9-660, the Council shall deal with County directors officers and employees who are subject to the supervision of the County Administrator solely through the Administrator, and neither the Council nor its individual members shall give orders or instructions directly to any such officers or employees.
- 2-3.4 ABSENCE OR DISABILITY: During the extended absence or disability of the Administrator, the Council shall designate another person to serve as acting Administrator.
- 2-3.5 **THE RELATIONSHIP TO COUNCIL:** The Administrator shall maintain high standards of integrity and confidence and adhere to the highest ethical and moral principles in the execution of duties. It shall be the Administrator's duty to continue to keep abreast of advances and developments in County Government administration. When the Council has established a policy in reference to any matter the County Administrator is directed to execute and administer supervise that policy without further action by Council. In the event that any policies established by Council shall need changes or further definition it shall be the duty of the County Administrator to recommend to County Council in writing the proposed changes or definitions. It shall be the duty of the County Administrator to promulgate, implement and execute administrative policies for the management of operational functions of county government, and to propose necessary legislative and public policies for adoption by Council in order that such polices shall be executed without further action by Council.
- 2-3.6 ACTIVITY REPORT: The County Administrator is authorized and directed to develop and require submission of activity reports from all departments and agencies at such intervals and in such form as the County Administrator shall determine.
- 2.37 OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT: The County Administrator will devote his/her full time to the administration of the County Government. Outside employment is prohibited unless approved by a majority vote of the

members of Council and may be reflected in the Administrator's employment contract.

- 2-4. <u>CLERK:</u> The Council shall appoint a Clerk for an indefinite term. The Clerk shall record all proceedings of the Council and keep a journal of the proceedings which shall be open to public inspection; deliver copies of the minutes of each Council meeting to all members of Council prior to the next regular meeting; keep a register of all Ordinances and Resolutions, assigning them a number and arranging them in order of introduction, and shall assist in their indexing and codification; attest the signature of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson or County Administrator on official instruments or documents. During the disability or extended absence of the Clerk, the Council may designate an acting Clerk.
 - 2-4.1 PERMANENT RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS: Minutes of all Council meetings and work sessions shall be taken in summary form. All Council members votes shall be recorded in the minutes. The recordingstapes of all Council meetings shall be permanently maintained by the Clerk for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of the meeting. Minutes of Council meetings will be transcribed verbatim only when requested by a Council member for a particular meeting or a portion of a meeting.
- 2-5. <u>COUNTY ATTORNEY:</u> The Council shall <u>retain-establish the position of a-County</u> Attorney who shall provide general counsel to the <u>County Administrator and Council.</u> and serve at the pleasure of <u>County Council.</u> The County Administrator shall hire and supervise the County Attorney. on <u>behalf of County Council.</u>

The County Attorney shall prepare or review all drafts of ordinances or resolutions as authorized by Council or the County Administrator for legal sufficiency, advise Council and the County Administrator on legal matters, and provide such other legal assistance to county departments and agencies as the County Administrator may authorize.

The County Attorney shall attend all regular meetings of Council and shall attend all special meetings of Council upon the request of the County Administrator. The County Attorney is not required to attend Committee meetings unless requested to do so by the County Administrator. The County Attorney shall refrain from participation in the election of the members of Georgetown County Council or other Georgetown County elected officials.

ARTICLE THREE

MEETINGS

-1. MEETING ATTENDANCE: The Council shall convene its regular meeting for the transaction of official business in the Georgetown County Council Chambers, unless otherwise specified by Council, with each member of Council generally making every effort to attend. If, however, for any reason a member of Council cannot attend any scheduled public meeting, he/she should notify the Clerk to Council prior to the beginning of the meeting to notify the Council and the public of the reason for the absence.

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3-2. MEETINGS, REGULAR

- 3-2.1 Regular meetings of Council shall be held in accordance with a schedule prescribed by Council and made public at the beginning of each calendar year. The Council may vary the schedule upon concurrence of a majority.
- 3-2.2 Requests for agenda matters and supporting materials shall be provided to the County Administrator no later than 12:00 e'clock p.m. sevenon Thursday, (7)12 days prior to the regular meeting date. Upon approval of the Chairperson, Tthe agenda is set by the County Administrator, upon approval of the Chairperson—no later than Friday Tuesday—of the week preceding the regular Council meeting. Publication of the agenda shall be on FridayThursday prior to the regular meeting or as soon as practicable thereafter, and, pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (as amended) the agenda is posted online the bulletin board of the Courthouse and the County Administrative Office Building and available upon request no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.

3-3. MEETINGS, SPECIAL

- 3-3.1 The Chairperson or the majority of the members of Council may call special meetings of the Council.
- 3-3.2 All Council members shall be given written notice of a special meeting that specifies the subject matter to be discussed.
- 3-3.3 Twenty four (24) hours' notice must be given for a special meeting and the agenda is -posted online the bulletin board of the Courthouse and the County Administrative Office Building no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.

3-4. MEETINGS, EMERGENCY

3-4.1 The Chairperson, or in his/her absence the Vice-Chairperson, may call an emergency meeting.

- 3-4.2 An emergency meeting notice must be supported by a <u>subject matter</u> found in the South Carolina Code of Laws as constituting an emergency. documentation of the emergency.
- 3-4.3 Only the items specified as constituting the emergency shall be considered at the emergency meeting.
- 3-4.4 Notice to all the Council of an emergency meeting will maybe by telephone, email, -or other means as soon as practicable by no less than not less than twofour (24) hours before the meeting.

3-5. MEETINGS, BRIEFINGS, AND WORK SESSIONS

- 3-5.1 The Chairperson may call a Briefing Meeting or Work Session or such meeting may be scheduled at a regular Council meeting.
- 3-5.2 All Council members shall be given written notice of a Briefing or Work Session Meeting that specifies the subject matter to be discussed at least two (2) working days before the meeting. The agenda shall be posted on line the bulletin board of the Courthouse and the County Administrative Office Building no later than twenty four (24) hours before the meeting.
- 3-5.3 The primary purpose of a Briefing or Work Session meeting shall be to present in-depth information and to provide an opportunity for the Council to raise questions for the purpose of making more informed decisions on complex issues that would take undue time at a regular meeting.

3-6. **MEETINGS, PUBLIC HEARING**

3-6.1 The Council shall hold public hearings for those matters required by law and may hold public hearings for any purpose the Council deems appropriate. Public hearings shall be held before final action is taken to:

Adopt annual operational and capital improvement budgets;

a.

Make appropriations, including supplemental appropriations;

b.

 Adopt building, housing, electrical, plumbing, gas, and other regulatory codes involving penalties;

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d. Adopt zoning and subdivision regulations;

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e. Levy taxes; and

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- Sell, lease or contract to sell or lease real property owned by the County.
- 3-6.2 Such public hearings shall be advertised as required by law. If there is no applicable law, public hearings shall be advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the community at least fifteen (15) days prior to such hearing with notices and agenda posted on line the bulletin board of the County Courthouse and the County Administrative Building no later than twenty four (24) hours before the hearing.
- 3-6.3 A public hearing is understood to be a forum for people interested in the subject matter to present information to the Council for their consideration as they deliberate an issue. It is not a forum for opponents and proponents to debate their differences nor is it a forum for debate or argument between members of Council and opponents or proponents, or each other.
- 3-6.4 Each speaker shall be limited to threefive (35) minutes. unless the Chairperson authorizes one (1) extension of three (3) minutes.
- 3-6.5 The presiding officer may terminate a presentation that is covering the same information covered by a previous speaker. Such speakers shall be encouraged to simply state their agreement with a previous speaker and bring new information to the subject.
- 3-6.6 In addition to verbal presentation, written material may be submitted to the Council for their consideration but the receipt and handout of written material shall not cause the flow of the meeting to stop.
- 3-6.7 Proponents and opponents will each The public hearing will be limited to a total of thirty (30) minutes for formal presentations. on any agenda item. Not withstanding the time limitation in Section 3-6.4, the proponents or opponents may opt to devote their entire time allocation to one or more speakers with the total time of all speakers not exceeding thirty (30) minutes. The presiding chairperson shall determine if this approach will be used by either side prior to recognizing the first speaker.

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3-7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

3-7.1 The Council may hold an executive session only for a purpose permitted by the <u>South Carolina</u> Freedom of Information Act, as amended. <u>from time</u> to time.

These purposes are defined in the South Carolina Code of Laws and are generally are limited to:

Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline or release of an employee, or a person regulated by a public body, or the appointment of a person to a public body.

Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual

arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the
receipt of legal of advice, settlement of legal claims, or the position
of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the
assertion against said agency of a claim.

b.

Discussion regarding the development of security personnel or devices.

c.

d. Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminalmisconduct.

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- Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of an industry or other business in the area served.
- 3-7.2 To hold an executive session, a motion must be made stating the specific purpose of the executive session or referring to the published agenda wherein the specific purpose is listed, seconded, and adopted to go onto executive session. for a permitted purpose.
- 3-7.3 No vote shall be taken in executive session.

3-8. **ELECTRONIC MEETINGS**

3-8.1 Upon authorization and vote, and in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act (also referred herein as "the Act"), Council and all Georgetown County Boards and Commissions (collectively referred to throughout as "the Governing Body") conduct public meetings exclusively in electronic form, provided the medium for such meeting, whether telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media,

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or any combination of these, and the conduct of the electronic meeting, allows for the following standards and practices to be met:

- (a) At the beginning of any electronic meeting, the presiding officer-shall poll the members of the Governing Body to confirm attendance, and any member of the Governing Body attending by way of electronic media shall be considered present for the purposes of constituting a quorum.
- (b) Throughout the duration of the electronic meeting, all members of the Governing Body, as well as any officials or staff required to speak at such meeting, must have the capability to be heard at all times by any other member of the governing body and by the general public.
- (c) Any vote of the Governing Body must be conducted by individual-voice vote of the members of the Governing Body, who shall verbally indicate their vote on any matter by stating "yay" or "nay." All individual votes shall be recorded by the clerk, secretary, or presiding officers, as appropriate.
- (d) Meetings shall be recorded or minutes kept in the same manner astan in-person meeting as required by the Act; provided, however, any digital broadcast of the meeting is not required to be kept as a record by the Governing Body.
- (e) All members of the governing body, officials, staff, and presenters should identify themselves and be recognized prior to speaking. Members of the Governing Body shall comply with the rules of the Governing Body as they relate to procedural matters in order to preserve order and allow for the effectiveness of electronic meetings.
- (f) Electronic executive sessions shall be permitted in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Governing Body shall properly announce its reason for going into any executive session in conformance with Section 30-4-70 of the Act. Upon the entry into any electronic executive session, meeting minutes need not be kept and the electronic meeting utilized for such executive session may be held by (i) a separate telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these wherein the public shall not be permitted to participate, or (ii) on the initial telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these, with the implementation of necessary participation or listening restrictions, provided that in either instance all members of the Governing Body must have the capability to be heard at all times.

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(g) With respect to any electronic meeting, any public comment periods provided for by local ordinance, resolution, policy, or bylaws are hereby suspended. In lieu of public comment periods, members of the public may submit their written public comments via email to the Clerk to Council—tfloyd@gtcounty.org-which shall be distributed to the members of the Governing Body.

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(h) With respect to public hearings required by the South Carolina Code of Laws, said public hearings shall be conducted electronically as provided herein. All public comments made during such hearing shall be submitted in writing to the Clerk to Council via either:

1) U.S. Mail addressed to:

Clerk to Council

Georgetown County Council

716 Prince Street

Georgetown, South Carolina 29440

2) Email addressed to tfloyd@gtcounty.org

All comments must be received one (1) hour prior to the scheduled-hearing. The comments shall be distributed to the members of the Governing Body prior to the public hearing and read into the record at the time of the public hearing. The comments shall be limited to three hundred (300) words or less. In the event more than ten (10) comments are received, the Chairperson is authorized to paraphrase the reading of the comments into the record in order to optimize time efficiency of the public hearing.

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ARTICLE FOUR

QUORUM

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4-1. **QUORUM:** A majority of the <u>seven</u> members of the Council shall constitute aquorum to begin a meeting for the transaction of official business.

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ARTICLE FIVE

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PUBLISHED AGENDAORDER OF BUSINESS

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For all regularly scheduled meetings,

‡the Council shall address itself to an established, published agenda. The Council shall approve the published agenda, including the Consent Agenda and the

Executive Session agenda. Once the agenda is <u>published</u>approved, requests to change the agenda will only be granted upon a majority vote of Council.

Once an agenda for a regular, special, called or rescheduled meeting is posted, no items may be added to the agenda without an additional 24-hour notice to the public. The notice must be made in the same manner as the original posting.

After a meeting begins, an action item which is not a final action and for which public comment has been or will be received at a publicly noticed meeting, may be added to the agenda by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

After a meeting begins, an action item which is a final action or for which there will be no opportunity for public comment, may be added to the agenda by

- a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, and
- a finding that an emergency or exigent circumstance exists (an exigent circumstance would be considered an urgent or time-sensitive issue).

The order of business shall be:

- Invocation
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Public Comment Period
- Approval of the Agenda (including the Consent Agenda and Executive Session Agenda)
- Approval of Minutes
- Consent Agenda
- Public Hearings
- Appointments to Boards and Commissions
- Resolutions
- Third Reading of Ordinances
- Second Reading of Ordinance
- Introduction of Ordinances
- Council Briefing & Committee Reports
- Reports to Council
- Legal Briefing
- Executive Session
- Adjourn
 - 5-1.1 A The public comment period may shall be the first item of business on the agenda and shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Each speaker will be limited to no more than threefive (35) minutes. If there are more than tensix speakers, time allotted will be reduced to allow all speakers signed in to present within the 30 minute period. No speaker may yield his/her allotted time to another speaker. Members of the public who wish to

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address Council during the public input period shallshould sign up with the Clerk of Council before the meeting is called to order by the presiding officer. Preference as to the order of the speakers shall be given to those who have notified the Clerk in advance of the meeting of their desire to speak. When there are several members of the public present to address the same issue, it is recommended that one spokesperson shall be chosen on behalf of the group and the presiding officer has the authority to enforce this provision. A public comment period is not required under the South Carolina Code of Laws, rather it is authorized by Council as a means for the citizenry to speak to their representatives in a public setting. Consequently, Nno person shall be allowed to indulge in personalities, use language personally offensive, charge deliberate misrepresentation, or use language tending to hold a member of Council, a member of the County staff, or a member of the public up to contempt or ridicule.

- 5-1.2 Any Council member desiring to place an item on the agenda shall notify the ChairmanChairperson.clerk The Clerk no later than 12:00 o'clock-p.m. on Thursday, 12-7 days prior to the regular meeting. This provision shall include the names and applications of appointees to various county boards and commissions.
- 5-1.3 The consent agenda may consist of items that are <u>more than likely</u> not <u>likely to to</u> be controversial as well as any ordinance proposed for first reading. Any Council member may request that an item be placed on the consent agenda, and any member may request that an item be removed therefrom. <u>Any ordinance may be read in at first reading by title only.</u>

ARTICLE SIX

DECORUM AND DEBATE

- 6-1. When a measure is before the Council for consideration, the presiding officer shall recognize the appropriate individual to present the case.
- 6-2. When two (2) or more members wish to speak, the presiding officer shall decide and recognize such members in turn.
- 6-3. No member of Council shall interrupt another while speaking, except to make a point of order or make a point of personal privilege.
- 6-4. The presiding officer shall not be obligated to recognize any Council member for a second comment on a subject or amendment until every Council member wishing to speak has been allowed a first comment.

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- 6-5. No member shall speak more than five (5) minutes on any subject or amendment. Such member may use his/her time in any combination, in separate speech or comments totaling five (5) minutes. Council members shall also have the right to yield a portion of their time to another member.
- 6-6. Any member wishing to speak more than five (5) minutes on any question or any amendment to the question shall be accorded the privilege without objection or upon motion supported by two-thirds of the Council members present.
- 6-7. The Council may agree to limit debate on any item of business before it. That agreement may be formalized by a majority vote of the Council.
- 6-8. The presiding officer shall not entertain any dilatory motions.
- 6-9. No Council member shall be permitted to indulge in personalities, use language personally offensive, arraign motives of members, charge deliberate misrepresentation, or use other language tending to hold a member of Council or the public up to contempt or ridicule.
- 6-10. If a member is speaking or otherwise transgressing the rules of the Council, the presiding officer shall, or any Council member may, call him or her to order. In such case, he or she shall immediately be silent unless permitted to explain. The Council shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate. If the decision is in favor of the member called to order, he/she shall be at liberty to proceed, but otherwise shall remain silent.
- 6-11. Any member found in violation of the rules of Council by a majority vote of Council may be censured.

ARTICLE SEVEN

VOTING

7.1 7-1. A member may must be present cast his/her vote in person or by any electronic means if a member is unable to attend in person. to cast his/her vote. No members of the County Council, or a committee, shall be allowed under any circumstances to vote by proxy at any Council or Committee meeting.

7-2. Any member may request a roll call vote at any time.

7-3. No member shall vote on any question where his/her private interest in the matter presents a conflict of interest (according to the South Carolina State

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Ethics Act). Members shall declare their conflict of interest in an issue_and refrain from participating in the discussion or the vote on the issue. <u>The meeting minutes shall reflect any conflict of interest declaration.</u>

ARTICLE EIGHT

COUNCIL DECISIONS

8-1. The members of Council have the responsibility to establish policy, make Council decisions, and adopt ordinances which in the majority view will be in the best interest of Georgetown County and all its citizens. Council members thus have an obligation to expect differences of opinion and to respect the views of each individual member of Council. At the same time, individual members should recognize that when the Council has made a decision, the issue has been decided whether or not they were in the majority or the minority.

ARTICLE NINE

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- 9-1. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN GENERAL: The Council shall take legislative action by Ordinance. Executive action shall be taken by Resolution. All Ordinances and/or Resolutions that require funding for the following and/or subsequent years shall contain an impact statement of costs and funding options stated in dollars and millage based upon the current millage value.
- 9-2. READINGS: With the exception of emergency ordinances, all ordinances shall be read at three public meetings of Council on three separate days with an interval of not less than seven days between the second and third reading. A verbatim reading of an ordinance shall not be required unless such reading is requested by a member.
- 9-3. **FIRST READING:** An ordinance may be introduced for first reading by title only at any meeting of Council. by title only. No vote shall be taken and nNo debate or amendment shall be in order unless a member makes a motion to invoke the pending ordinance doctrine for a zoning ordinance matter. The ordinance may be referred by the Chairperson to an appropriate committee or to the Council as a whole.

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- 9-4. <u>SECOND READING:</u> Reports on a proposed ordinance shall be presented at the next regular meeting after the first reading. Prior to second reading, a draft of the text of the ordinance shall be delivered to every member. After the proposed ordinance has been read, amendments shall be in order, but shall not be considered unless they are germane to the proposed ordinance. Any member of the Council may require that amendments be in writing. After all amendments and privileged motions, if any, are disposed of, the question shall be____shall the ordinance receive second reading.
- 9-5. <u>THIRD READING:</u> After the ordinance has been given second reading, and if a public hearing has been held if required by law or action of Council, it shall be given third reading <u>aton</u> a subsequent public meeting and amendments may be offered on third reading the same as on second reading. After all amendments and privileged motions, if any are disposed of, the question shall be passage of the ordinance.
- 9-6. VOTES REQUIRED FOR PASSAGE: —With the exception of those items requiring a 2/3rd majority or alternate majority type for approval as found in State law, Nno ordinance or amendment shall be adopted unless at least a majority of the members present shall have voted for its passage on second and third readings. The repeal or amendment of ordinances shall follow the same procedure set forth for adoption.
- 9-7. <u>EMERGENCY ORDINANCES:</u> To meet public emergencies, affecting life, health, safety of the property of the people, Council may adopt emergency ordinances, but such ordinances shall not levy taxes, grant, renew, or extend a franchise or impose or change a service rate. Every emergency ordinance shall be designated as such and shall contain declaration that an emergency exists and shall describe the emergency. An emergency ordinance is effective immediately upon its enactment without regard to any reading, public hearing, publication requirement, or public notice. Such ordinances shall expire automatically as of the 61st day of the following enactment.
- 9-8. CODIFICATION: All ordinances enacting general law shall be compiled, indexed, codified, published by title and made available online. to public inspection at the office of the Clerk of Council. Further, all ordinances, regardless of type, shall be kept by the Tthe Clerk and shall maintained in a permanent record of all ordinances adopted. Nothing herein prevents any requirement of this section from being satisfied by electronic means. and shall furnish a copy to the Clerk of Court for filing in that office.
- 9-9. **EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCES:** Ordinances shall take effect on the day the ordinance is given third reading unless another date is specified in the ordinance.

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- 9-10. **RESOLUTIONS:** A resolution shall require only one reading for its adoption, and may be adopted at either a regular or special meeting by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting.
- 9-11. STANDARD CODES OR TECHNICAL REGULATIONS: The Council may adopt any standard code or technical regulation by reference. Copies of any adopted code to technical regulation shall be made available by the Clerk for distribution or for purchase at a reasonable price.

ARTICLE TEN

COMMITTEES

10-1. APPOINTMENTS TO STANDING COMMITTEES: All members of Councils shall be appointed to serve on at least one of the Council standing committees. Standing committee appointments shall be made by the Chairperson no later thant the second regular meeting of Council in January following each general election and the Chairperson shall also designate the respective Chairperson of each committee. Members of the standing committees shall serve until the next general election of Council, unless they are removed by their consent or cease to be member of Council. Each standing committee shall consist of not less than three members.

<u>10-2.</u> <u>STANDING COMMITTEES:</u> Standing committees of the Council shall be as⁴ follows:

10-2.1 _____An Administration and Finance Committee which shall consist of not

10-2.2 consist of not less than three members of the County Council.

.0-2.3 10-2.2 A Health, Education, and Leisure Committee which shall consist of —

shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.

10-2.4 _____A Justice and Safety Committee which shall consists of

not less than three members of the County Council.

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<u>10-2.4</u> A Public Works Committee which shall consist of not less than three members of the County Council.

10-2.5 ____ADHOC_COMMITTEESAd-Hoc_Committees:_Upon* the authorization

of Council, their Chairperson may appoint ad_hoc committees composed of Council members, a combination of council members and citizens, or citizen members only to study and advise council on a specific issue. Such committees shall function for a specific time periods and shall be dissolved at the end of the time period or when their business is finished, whichever is the earliest. The time period for existence of such committees may be extended for a time certain by action of the Council.

10-2.6 ____COMMITTEES MEETINGS AND REPORTSCOmmittee Meetings and Reports:

Committee meetings shall be held on the call of the

Chairperson of the committee upon two days' notice of such meeting to each committee member, unless all of the members of the committee waive such notice and agree upon an earlier time for such meeting but no earlier than 24 hours before the scheduled start of the meeting. A quorum for each committee shall consist of a majority of its members. -The Chairperson of a standing committee shall report upon the activities of the committee at a each regular council meeting, and a time for such reports shall be deemed to be included in every agenda when the subject matter of the report has previously been referred to the committee. Each committee shall function as an advisory committee to the County Administrator when the Administrator so requests and to the County Council. Each committee shall investigate, gather information, make inquiries, and study the issues under its jurisdiction with a purpose of keeping the Council fully informed. Committees may make reports to the Council with recommendations for action by the Council. Action taken by any committee shall not be construed as action taken by the Council until the subject matter of the committee's action has been presented at a regular or special meeting of the Council and acted upon by the Council in accordance with these rules.

10-2.7 _____RECALL OF REFERRED MATTERSRecall of Referred Matters: Any matter

which has been referred to a committee may be recalled by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of Council in attendance of a Council meeting.

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ARTICLE ELEVEN

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

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- 11-1 <u>CHAIRPERSON TO VOTE:</u> The Chairperson shall vote in all cases except where a <u>personal</u> conflict exists.
- 11-2 **PRIVILEDGE OF COUNCILMEMBERS:** A Council member shall have the privilege of having an abstract of the member's statement on any subject under consideration by the Council member entered in the minutes.
- 11-3 <u>STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL:</u>—No Council member shall make or issue any statement which purports to speak on behalf of the entire Council or the Council as a body at any time unless the issue is question has been duly adopted by the Council. The Chairperson shall thereupon be the official spokesman for Council unless the Chairperson has recommended and the Council has approved another person to serve as the spokesman on a particular issue.
- 11-4 WHEN MOTIONS ARE DEBATABLE: All motions, except motions to adjourn, to recess, to lay on the table, and questions of order or privilege, shall be debatable. No motion shall be debated until it has been stated by the Chairperson. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chairperson without debate, subject to an appeal to the Council.
- 11-5 MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER: A motion to reconsider any action taken by the Council may be made only on the day such action was taken or at the next regular meeting of Council. Such motion must be made by a Council member voting on the prevailing side, but may be seconded by any other Council member, and may be made at any time.
- 11-6 <u>MOTIONS THAT INTERRUPT A SPEAKER:</u> Only the following motions shall be permitted to interrupt a speaker:
 - 11-6.1 A question of order. This question is to the effect that the rules of Council are not being adhered to. It is not debatable and does not require a second.
 - 11-6.2 A question of privilege. This question relates to the rights and privileges of a member of the Council, i.e., charges made against the official character of a member; that the member has not been furnished with pertinent information available to other members

of Council; that the member did not hear or understand a statement presented to Council, etc. It does not require a second.

11-6.3 A motion to adjourn. This motion is not debatable but does require

11-7. MOTIONS THAT CANNOT INTERRUPT A SPEAKER BUT MAY INTERRUPT THE PROCEEDINGS: The following motions cannot interrupt a speaker without the speaker's consent but may interrupt the proceedings and shall be received during debate:

A motion to lay on the table. The motion removes the subject from consideration until the Council votes to again consider the subject. It is not debatable but does require a second. Any item remaining on the table at the adjournment of the regular meeting following the meeting where the motion to lay on the table was approved shall be permanently removed from Council consideration.

A motion for the previous/to call the question. This motion is to the effect that the debate now cease, and the Council immediately proceed to vote on the pending question. It is not debatable but does require a second.

- 11-7.3 A motion to adjourn debate to a subsequent meeting. The effect of this motion is to postpone the subject to the time specified in the motion and until which time it cannot be taken up except by majority vote of the Council. It is debatable and does require a second.
- 11-7.4 A motion to commit or recommit. The effect of this motion is to refer the subject to a committee. It is debatable and requires a second.
- 11-7.5 A motion to amend. This motion is debatable and requires a second.

The above motions have precedence in the order listed.

11-7.2

<u>12-8.</u> <u>11.8 MOTIONS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A SECOND:</u> The following motions do⁴not require a second.

12.8-1 11.8-1 Inquiries of any kind.

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14-1. <u>SUSPENSION OF RULES:</u> Any of these rules may be suspended except those which are matters of <u>State</u> law, upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Council.	
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15-1. AMENDMENT OF RULES: Amendment of these ruled shall be by ordinance.	
ANY PREVIOULSY ADOPTED RULES OF PROCEDURE BY GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL UNDER ORD. 99-30 ARE HEREBY REPEALED AND REPLACED WITH THIS ORDINANCE.	
ADOPTED this day of, 2021 by a vote of Georgetown County Council.	
<u>Chairman</u> Chairperson	
ATTEST:	
Theresa E. Floyd, Clerk	
This ordinance is approved as to form and content.	
H. Thomas Morgan, Jr., Esg.	

Interim Georgetown County Attorney

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Recommendation to defer action pending finalized information.

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Coroner's Office

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-07 - An Ordinance to Repeal, Replace, and/or Establish Certain Fees Payable to the Georgetown County Coroner's Office, and Set Guidelines for the Same **CURRENT STATUS:** Pending approval. **POINTS TO CONSIDER: FINANCIAL IMPACT: OPTIONS: STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

ATTORNEY REVIEW:

Item Number: 16.c Meeting Date: 2/23/2021

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DEFERRED OR PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED ISSUES

AGENDA REQUEST FORM

GEORGETOWN COUNTY COUNCIL



DEPARTMENT: Finance

ISSUE UNDERCONSIDERATION:

Ordinance No. 21-08 - An Ordinance to Amend the FY21 Operating Budget of Georgetown County

CURRENT STATUS:

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OPTIONS:

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation to defer action pending finalized information.

ATTORNEY REVIEW: