

State of South Carolina)

County of Anderson)

ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING
AUGUST 21, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE:
TOMMY DUNN, CHAIRMAN
RAY GRAHAM
KEN WATERS
TOM ALLEN
CRAIG WOOTEN
M. CINDY WILSON

ALSO PRESENT:
RUSTY BURNS
LEON HARMON
LACEY CROEGAERT

1 TOMMY DUNN: ... presentations part of
2 our Anderson County Council meeting of July -- I'm
3 sorry of August 21st -- to order. I'd like to welcome
4 each and every one here. Thank you all for coming.
5 At this time we're going to get on for meeting. Going
6 to start off with Resolution 2(a) 2018-040. Council
7 Craig Wooten. Craig.

8 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
9 This is Resolution R2018-040. A Resolution to Honor
10 and Recognize MedShore Ambulance Services for their
11 Outstanding Dedication, Compassion and Commitment in
12 providing Public Service to the Citizens of Anderson
13 County; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

14 **Whereas**, Medshore Ambulance Service was founded in
15 1976, working continuously to provide medical
16 transport services for more than 40 years. The
17 mission of Medshore ambulance service is to provide
18 the highest quality of patient care that is cost
19 effective to the communities in which they serve.
20 Medshore is the largest privately owned ambulance
21 service in South Carolina serving more than 100,000
22 patients each year; and

23 **Whereas**, Medshore is headquartered in Anderson,
24 South Carolina, but additionally provides medical
25 transport services to 17 counties in South Carolina
26 with 100 emergency vehicles and 520 employees.
27 Medshore is the 9-1-1 service provider for Anderson,
28 Barnwell and Chesterfield counties; and

29 **Whereas**, Medshore was the first ambulance service
30 provider in South Carolina to receive accreditation by
31 the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Service
32 for achieving a gold standard in operation and
33 clinical performance excellence in the EMS industry;
34 and

35 **Whereas**, on July 18, 2018 Medshore was chosen as
36 the recipient of the American Heart Association's
37 Mission Lifeline EMS Recognition awards. The Anderson
38 County division received the Gold Plus Award and
39 Barnwell and Chesterfield County divisions both
40 received Silver Plus awards. Medshore was chosen for
41 these awards for efficiently administering the highest
42 level of pre-hospital cardiac care, meeting the
43 specific criteria for treating patients experiencing
44 severe heart attacks; and

45 **Whereas**, The Anderson County Council and the
46 citizens of Anderson County are pleased to honor and
47 recognize Medshore Ambulance Service. We are
48 appreciative of the exceptional standard of care you
49 provide to patients, your continuing efforts in
50 improving our systems of care and for improving the

1 quality of life for all citizens.
2 RESOLVED in a meeting duly assembled this 21st day
3 of August 2018.

4 And I put that in the form of a motion.
5 CINDY WILSON: Second.
6 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion by Mr.
7 Wooten, second by Ms. Wilson. Any discussion? All in
8 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
9 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously. Mr.
10 Wooten.

11 CRAIG WOOTEN: Do we have anybody?
12 TOMMY DUNN: I don't think -- is anybody
13 here from Medshore? I don't believe so. We'll make
14 sure they get this.

15 CRAIG WOOTEN: All right.
16 TOMMY DUNN: We'll move on to Item 2(b)
17 2018-045. Again, Councilman Wooten. Craig.

18 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
19 TOMMY DUNN: Excuse me, Craig. I
20 believe. Y'all come on.

21 CRAIG WOOTEN: Here they are. If we could
22 all step up front.

23 **(PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION TO MEDSHORE)**

24 TOMMY DUNN: Now we'll go back to 2(b)
25 2018-045. Councilman Wooten.

26 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
27 Resolution 2018-045 A Resolution to Honor and
28 Recognize Grace Cromer for her Many Accomplishments,
29 and most recent Title as USA National Miss South
30 Carolina; and other matters Related Thereto;

31 **Whereas**, in 2009 Grace Cromer created her own
32 business called Gracie's Gourmet which consisted of
33 baking an assortment of sweet treats for various
34 occasions; and

35 **Whereas**, in 2013 Grace was named SC Young
36 Entrepreneur of the Year by then Governor Nikki Haley;
37 and

38 **Whereas**, in 2014 Grace started the program Pennies
39 for Preemies to help raise and provide support for
40 local Children's Miracle Network Hospitals and to
41 assist local families faced with premature births or
42 special needs. On August 28, 2014 Pennies for
43 Preemies became a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization
44 and in 2015 Pennies for Preemies received the award of
45 YesCarolina Young Entrepreneur of the Year; and

46 **Whereas**, Grace Cromer has been participating in
47 pageants since she was 14 years old. In June 2014,
48 Grace was crowned Miss Walterboro Teen 2014, receiving
49 this award for her 90 second Jazz dance performance to
50 80's and 90's retro mix and also receiving the award

1 as Miss Congeniality; and
2 **Whereas**, on August 4, 2018 Grace was crowned USA
3 National Miss South Carolina at the USA National Miss
4 Pageant. The pageant provides extraordinary
5 opportunities for young women ages 4-25 to assist in
6 developing lifestyle services, personal achievement,
7 and community involvement. Many of these young ladies
8 become ambassadors of worthy causes, charities and
9 taking part in the anti-bullying platform the Crown
10 C.A.R.E.S. encouraging each of them to make a
11 difference; and,

12 **Whereas**, Grace Cromer is currently a sophomore
13 majoring in Business Economics at Wofford College, in
14 Spartanburg, South Carolina. She is a Wofford Bonner
15 Scholar and Ambassador and actively participates as a
16 member of the Wofford Activities Council. Grace is a
17 member of Wofford Companions a program that connects
18 students with adults with special needs; and

19 **Whereas**, The Anderson County Council is proud to
20 honor and recognize the youth in our community who
21 demonstrate qualities of dedication, vision and
22 commitment, developing life skills such as leadership,
23 responsibility and selflessness to help others
24 throughout our community. We are proud of your
25 accomplishments and would like to wish you great
26 success in all of your future endeavors.

27 RESOLVED in meeting duly assembled this 21st day
28 of August, 2018.

29 Mr. Chairman, I'd like to put that in the form of
30 a motion.

31 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion Mr.
32 Wooten, second Ms. Wilson. Any discussion?

33 CRAIG WOOTEN: I would like to add, this
34 is a young woman I've known for a couple of years. I
35 know her family. Ms. Wilson and I were joking before
36 the meeting started about how busy life can get. And
37 Ms. Cromer is, I don't know how she finds the time in
38 the day. But she has accomplished so much and it's so
39 exciting to see where she's going. I know she's going
40 to represent our county well. And this award is
41 really duly deserved.

42 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Wooten. She
43 is very special doing that and that's very special to
44 have -- people like her is what makes Anderson County
45 very special. We appreciate her. Mr. Waters.

46 KEN WATERS: I'd just like to add, too.
47 I think so much of her I jumped in the lake in
48 February for her one time.

49 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of the motion
50 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the

1 motion carries unanimously.

2 **(PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION)**

3 TOMMY DUNN: At this time we'll move on
4 to Item number 3. This will be a presentation for
5 recognition for the Workplace Principles Pilot
6 Program. Ms. Cox.

7 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. Chairman.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.

9 RUSTY BURNS: This is --- these are the
10 fruits of the labors that County Council -- when you
11 allocated that seed money for us to begin our program
12 at the Westside Community Center and these are our
13 graduates. And Terry and Laura worked diligently as
14 well as her Westside Community board. And with that,
15 I'm going to shut up. Laura and Terry who did all the
16 work will talk.

17 CINDY WILSON: May we also acknowledge Dr.
18 Bea Thompson with us tonight.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah, I think that's what
20 Mr. Burns said. She worked very hard on this and we
21 appreciate it.

22 LAURA COX: Good evening. My name is
23 Laura Cox and I'm a member of the Anderson County
24 Economic Development team. Thank you for the
25 opportunity here tonight to recognize a collaborative
26 pilot program Workplace Principles. Anderson County
27 Economic Development in cooperation with the Anderson
28 County Workforce Development Collaborative recently
29 completed a pilot class call Workplace Principles.
30 This pilot class was held for three weeks at the
31 Westside Community Center in conjunction with Work
32 Experience placed at Vocational Rehabilitation's
33 Training Center and Anderson Interfaith Ministries.
34 Workplace Principles is based off of the curriculum
35 from Microburst Learnings Employability Program.
36 Employers require their workforce to demonstrate
37 employability soft skills. Based on over thirty years
38 of training and experience in the private sector,
39 Microburst Learning developed a certification for soft
40 skills through behavior change. This blended learning
41 approach includes interactive online lessons,
42 instructor-led activities in certification process,
43 concentrating on areas such as interpersonal skills,
44 conflict resolution, communication skills and other
45 foundational life skills. The following participants
46 have successfully completed the online and classroom
47 instruction and are currently being observed in their
48 workplace for behavior change in order to receive
49 their Workplace Principle credential. Savannah
50 Bryant. Kelsea Cowan. Barbara Martin. Denise

1 McCotrell Merritt. Ricky Patterson. Shervon Forshay.
2 Marietta Potts. (These names were spelled
3 phonetically).

4 TOMMY DUNN: Give all these a big hand
5 before we ...

6 (APPLAUSE)

7 LAURA COX: We did have twelve
8 participants in the program, so we do have some that
9 are not with us tonight that we would like to
10 recognize. One is Desiree DeShazor, Donna Dodgens,
11 Chris Elrod, Nick Kanarena and Chris Chapman. (These
12 names were spelled phonetically.)

13 Upon completion of the classroom and online
14 instruction so far four individuals have obtained
15 employment. One participant has been accepted into a
16 year-long speciality computer training course after
17 completing an intense interview process.

18 As we mentioned, this was a collaborative effort
19 so at this time, I'd like to recognize several
20 Workforce partners for all their efforts. The
21 Westside Community Center for hosting our group.
22 Anderson School District 5 for assistance with both
23 computers and classroom setup. Anderson School
24 District 3, 4, and 5 Adult Education and United Way
25 for assistance with facilitator training. The South
26 Carolina Department of Commerce and Anderson 1 and 2
27 Career Centers for allowing their staff to teach the
28 course. Anderson Interfaith Ministries for assistance
29 in helping with work experience. Besto's for
30 providing speciality discount pricing for meals each
31 day. Electritex and St. John's United Methodist
32 Church for assistance with providing interview attire
33 for each participant. Anderson, Oconee, Pickens
34 County Mental Health for allowing their participants
35 to take part in the pilot. As well as Anderson
36 Vocational Rehabilitation for both their time and
37 efforts and allowing participants to take part.

38 In particular we'd like to recognize a couple
39 individual staff members. Lisa Gillespie with
40 Anderson Area Vocational Rehabilitation. She is the
41 Center director. Debbie Cable who is a Vocational
42 Rehabilitation and mental health job coach. Linda
43 Russell who is the Vocational Rehabilitation job
44 preparedness coach. And Renee Murdoch who is the
45 business development representative for Vocation
46 Rehabilitation. She could not be here with us tonight
47 but we thank her for all of her time.

48 We'd also like to extend a recognition to
49 Cleervette Leslie with United Way for all of her
50 assistance with the program as well. Christy, we

1 mentioned you earlier. I didn't, sorry. ?? provided
2 worksite on-the-job work experience as well as
3 vocational Rehabilitation Work Center were allowed to
4 ????. But we want to thank this group. These
5 participants have just really learned a lot and taught
6 us a lot. So once again, let's give you another hand.

7 (APPLAUSE)

8 TOMMY DUNN: Again, I want to thank who
9 all was involved in this, especially participants, but
10 the ones that helped put this together and see this
11 through. Hope we have many more classes come through.
12 This is a big part of this, when Mr. Burns
13 Administrator told me about this several, several,
14 several months ago, I thought it was an outstanding
15 idea. Glad to see it pulled off. Mr. Burns is there,
16 a big hand for helping to put this together, too.
17 Let's give him a big hand.

18 (APPLAUSE)

19 TOMMY DUNN: And the staff and all what
20 they done and we appreciate it. And this again, what
21 I alluded to earlier, this is what makes Anderson
22 County special, the people. I'm so proud and so glad
23 to be able to see this come to life. And like I said,
24 I hope this gets bigger and bigger. Just goes to show
25 you what you can accomplish when a group of people on
26 the same goals work together to achieve them. We
27 appreciate it. Mr. Burns.

28 RUSTY BURNS: This Workforce
29 Collaborative that you see here in Anderson County
30 does not exist anywhere else in the state. And all of
31 these people working unselfishly to make this happen.
32 We thank them. And again, thank Laura and Terry for
33 all of their hard work.

34 TOMMY DUNN: Appreciate everybody what's
35 done. That will conclude this part of our meeting.
36 We'll reconvene at 6:30 for regular Council meeting.
37 Thank y'all for coming.

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39 **(SPECIAL PRESENTATION MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:22 P.M.)**

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1 TOMMY DUNN: At this time I'd like to
2 call the August 21, 2018 Regular County Council
3 meeting to order. Welcome each and every one of you
4 here. At this time I'd like to ask Councilman Allen
5 if he'd lead us in Invocation and Pledge of
6 Allegiance. If we'd all rise, please.

7 **(INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY TOM ALLEN)**

8 TOMMY DUNN: At this time are there any
9 corrections to be made to the minutes of August the
10 7th, 2018? Not been received. I'm sorry. Thank you,
11 Tom. We'll not be approving them. We're move on
12 there. Thank you, Mr. Allen.

13 Moving on to Citizens Comments. As Mr. Harmon
14 calls your name, you have three minutes and this will
15 be -- state your name and district, address the Chair,
16 please. And this is matters on the agenda, please.
17 Mr. Harmon.

18 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, first speaker
19 is Lee Cole.

20 LEE COLE: Mr. Chairman, members of
21 Council, my name is Lee Cole. I live in County
22 Council District 7. I'm here tonight representing
23 Nekos Patel and his family and wanted to speak to the
24 Council in reference to agenda item 7(a). This is a
25 first reading on an ordinance to rezone a parcel that
26 my clients own from C-2 (Highway Commercial) to R-MHP
27 (Manufactured Home Park). That's on Beaverdam Road in
28 Williamston outside the city limits in an
29 unincorporated area of Williamston. This -- staff is
30 recommending that Council accept this. Planning
31 Commission has voted for Council not to accept this.
32 It's our understanding from looking back at the
33 minutes of that meeting that there was one resident
34 that appeared and was opposed to this. We have looked
35 and that resident lived approximately a mile away from
36 this location, so it wasn't a next door neighbor.

37 This location is -- my clients currently own a
38 convenience store at that -- at the same address, 1113
39 Beaverdam Road. There's a lot behind their
40 convenience store that they're asking be turned into
41 -- be designated mobile home. To the -- on one side
42 of the property there's already another mobile home --
43 there's two mobile home parks. My client owns one,
44 another party owns the other. On the other of the
45 property there are mobile homes, it is a mobile home,
46 I'd say like a -- they're mobile homes but not in a
47 mobile home park. So the road that goes down that
48 side of the property now, you see those mobile homes,
49 would not be able to see over into the mobile home
50 park. And then the back of the property is on Highway

1 29. There are trees there now and we would -- my
2 client is willing, if the Council would vote to make
3 this change, my client would be willing to accept the
4 stipulation that there be a barrier of trees around
5 the entire property. Front of it already is not going
6 to be visible from the road because of his store on
7 Beaverdam Road. The side of it, there's another
8 mobile home park on the other side, but he's still
9 willing to put the barrier of trees on that side. And
10 of course, the barrier of trees on the back, Highway
11 29.

12 So we would ask that the Council consider
13 accepting this change, due to the neighborhood being
14 -- there being a lot of mobile homes in the area. And
15 my client feels that at this point that's the best use
16 he can make of his property because that's what's all
17 around him. So I appreciate the Council's
18 consideration.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.

20 LEON HARMON: No one else is signed up,
21 Mr. Chairman.

22 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

23 Moving on to Item number 5(a) Ordinance third
24 reading, an ordinance authorizing the amendment of
25 Anderson County Ordinance 2014-040 and the documents
26 authorized thereby, in certain limited regards and
27 particulars. At this time I'd like to ask Mr. Nelson
28 if he would just -- this is going to be a public
29 hearing, but before anybody might want to talk to
30 this, if you just might want to hit the particulars on
31 this, Mr. Nelson, please.

32 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I
33 appreciate that. This company is Fox Farms, has been
34 in Anderson County for approximately three years.
35 They compost -- make compost products of tree bark and
36 a number of other things, and actually produce an
37 organic fertilizer and have sales. But they supple
38 basically nurseries around the country as well as
39 locally.

40 This company, their corporate name is United
41 Compost and Organics, Incorporated. When we
42 originally put the project together we didn't have
43 that name from their attorneys when they put the
44 project together. Legally, by DOR, and DOR's made the
45 request, that we change the name to United Compost and
46 Organics, Incorporated doing business as Fox Farms.
47 And this is really to straighten out the request from
48 the Department of Revenue.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Nelson.

50 Appreciate it. Want a public hearing. Anyone wishing

1 to speak to this matter, please step forward and state
2 your name and district and address the Chair, please.
3 Anyone at all? Hearing and seeing none, public
4 hearing will be closed. We have a motion to move this
5 forward?

6 KEN WATERS: So moved.
7 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second
8 Ms. Wilson. Are there any discussion? Hearing none,
9 all in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
10 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

11 Now we're moving on to Item number 5(b) 2018-025
12 an ordinance authorizing the sale of certain property
13 in the Clemson Research Park pursuant to a lease
14 agreement between Anderson County, South Carolina and
15 Anderson County Development Partnership. This is the
16 property that's Innovate Anderson, got a buyer for it.
17 Back years ago it was in our name so we've got to
18 release this so they can sell it. At this time we'll
19 be going into a public hearing. Anyone wishing to
20 speak to this, please, again state your name, district
21 and address the Chair, please. Anyone at all wish to
22 speak to this? Public hearing. Seeing and hearing
23 none, public hearing will be closed. We have a motion
24 to move this forward?

25 KEN WATERS: So moved.
26 CINDY WILSON: Second.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second
28 Ms. Wilson. Now are there any discussion? Seeing and
29 hearing none, all in favor of the motion show of
30 hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
31 carries unanimously.

32 We're going to move on now to Item number 5(c)
33 2018-030. Councilman Graham. Mr. Graham.

34 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
35 This is in reference to Ordinance 2018-030, the
36 ordinance ordering a referendum to determine whether
37 the South Carolina Department of Revenue may issue
38 temporary permits to allow for the possession, sale
39 and consumption of alcoholic liquors by the drink to
40 bonafide nonprofit organization and business
41 establishments authorized to be licensed for
42 consumption-on-premises sale to allow the sale of beer
43 and wine at permitted premises locations without
44 regard to the days or hours of sales.

45 Mr. Chairman, I bring this forth of a motion that
46 we move this forward on the third reading.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Before we do that, we're
48 going to have a public hearing. Anyone wishing to
49 speak to this now, step forward, address the Chair,
50 state your name and district. Anyone at all? Hearing

1 and seeing none, public hearing will be closed. Mr.
2 Graham makes the motion. We have a second?
3 TOM ALLEN: Second.
4 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
5 discussion?
6 CINDY WILSON: May I?
7 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.
8 CINDY WILSON: I agree with Mr. Allen from
9 a previous discussion that the referendum question as
10 it would appear on the ballot fails to mention Sunday
11 liquor sales. And I would hope that we could at least
12 make some kind of a clarifying statement on the
13 referendum question in addition to.
14 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon.
15 LEON HARMON: Ms. Wilson, the statue
16 itself states what the question must be and that's
17 what I have put in the ordinance. But you are
18 correct. We can prepare a statement that will explain
19 to the voters what each one of these questions has
20 reference to. And I will be putting that together
21 shortly.
22 CINDY WILSON: Thank you.
23 TOMMY DUNN: Anybody else? All in favor
24 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
25 Show the motion carries.
26 Moving on to Item number 6(a) Second reading.
27 2018-027 an ordinance authorizing the execution of a
28 lease purchase agreement in an amount not exceeding
29 \$5,400,000 relating to the leasing and purchasing of
30 certain vehicles, equipment and personal property, the
31 execution of necessary documents and closing papers.
32 This is something we went over during the budget time
33 and entered and put in our budget. This is now just
34 Ms. Wilson and Finance Department and staff is putting
35 this together to put the wheels in motion to make this
36 happen. We have a motion to move this forward?
37 CINDY WILSON: We had a -- shall I give
38 the report from the ---
39 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, ma'am.
40 CINDY WILSON: The item in question here,
41 which is 7(b), Ordinance 2018-31 first reading, a
42 third supplemental budget ordinance providing for the
43 issuance and sale of a special source revenue bond not
44 to exceed two point eight million for the expansion of
45 the Starr landfill construction and demolition and
46 C&D. And land clearing debris sales LCD. The current
47 site for LCD has approximately four and a half years
48 remaining. The plan is to convert the LCD site into a
49 construction demolition sale allowing for
50 approximately twelve and a half years to pass before

1 LCD. The C&D, which is the construction demolition
2 sale, would then have approximately forty-two and a
3 half years remaining capacity. In addition to that
4 improvement, which is very much needed, the new bailer
5 for the recycling at the MRF was estimated to cost
6 three point -- excuse me, three hundred and seventy-
7 five thousand dollars. The old bailer is worn out.
8 We're holding off acquisition of a grinder pending
9 further study. The Planning and Public Works
10 Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the full
11 Council to approve the Special Source Revenue bond.
12 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion to move
13 it? Did we get a motion?
14 TOM ALLEN: Put it in the form of a
15 motion.
16 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Need a second.
17 CINDY WILSON: Did we need a second, with
18 the Planning and Public Works committee ---
19 TOMMY DUNN: Coming from -- let's make
20 it official coming to us since it's been a while since
21 it come through that thing but y'all did come through
22 this thing. We have a second?
23 RAY GRAHAM: I'll second that.
24 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Mr. Graham seconds
25 it.
26 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah.
28 LEON HARMON: I think we're off track
29 here a bit. I think you're on 6(a).
30 TOMMY DUNN: Yeah.
31 LEON HARMON: And that is about the lease
32 purchase for vehicles. 7(b) is the ordinance that Ms.
33 Wilson was discussing.
34 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Thank you. I know
35 we're on 6(a) and that's what ---
36 CINDY WILSON: I'm sorry.
37 TOMMY DUNN: --- we got a motion and
38 second for. Now, are there any discussion? This was
39 about the vehicle stuff, the Sheriff's vehicles and
40 other vehicles for the thing. All in favor of the
41 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
42 the motion carries unanimously.
43 Now we'll move to 6(b) 2018-028 an ordinance
44 authorizing the addition of Bailtuck, LLC as a sponsor
45 affiliate to that certain fee agreement, dated as of
46 December 1, 2012 between Anderson County, South
47 Carolina and Sargent Metal Fabricators. We have a
48 motion to move this forward?
49 TOM ALLEN: So moved.
50 CINDY WILSON: Second.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen and second
2 Ms. Wilson. Are there any discussion? All in favor
3 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
4 Show the motion carries.

5 Moving on to 6(c) 2018-032 an ordinance to return
6 real property located on Pearman Dairy Road (TMS No
7 095-00-09-012) to Atlanta Baking Company which was
8 deeded to Anderson County by Atlanta Baking Company,
9 Inc. on September 21, 1981 to facilitate an industrial
10 development Revenue Bond Project. If y'all remember
11 this is -- Mr. Nelson told us last time. It's just
12 paperwork clearing up, done went back when before Fee
13 in Lieu of and had -- way it had to be done with our
14 name on it -- we're just giving -- they're selling
15 that property. Just want to get it back clear title
16 and get our name off of it. We have a motion to move
17 this forward?

18 KEN WATERS: So moved.

19 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters, second
20 Ms. Wilson. Are there any discussion? Hearing and
21 seeing none, all in favor of the motion show of hands.
22 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
23 unanimously.

24 Moving on now to Item number 6(d) 2018-034 an
25 ordinance authorizing the extension of the term under
26 that certain lease agreement by and between Anderson
27 County, South Carolina and BMW Manufacturing Co. LLC
28 dated as of September 1, 1998, the amendment of such
29 lease agreement to reflect such extension. We have a
30 motion to move this forward?

31 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

32 KEN WATERS: Second.

33 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen. Second
34 by Ms. Wilson. Are there any discussion? All in
35 favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed like
36 sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

37 Now we'll be moving on to Item number 7(a) 2018-
38 023 an ordinance amending the Zoning Map to rezone +/-
39 2.5 acres from C-2 (Highway Commercial) to R-MHP
40 (Manufactured Home Park) at 1113 Beaverdam Road. Dr.
41 Parkey, you want to ...

42 JEFF PARKEY: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Yes,
43 the request is to rezone said property from C-2
44 (Highway Commercial) to R-MHP (residential mobile home
45 park district). The applicant is making the request to
46 be able to put mobile homes on the property. Staff
47 recommended approval. The Zoning Advisory Group could
48 not make a quorum so they did not meet their June 6th
49 meeting. Comes forward from them technically as an
50 approval. Planning Commission recommended denial in

1 their June 12th meeting.
2 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. Any questions
3 for Dr. Parkey? Comments.
4 TOM ALLEN: Yeah.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.
6 TOM ALLEN: Just very quickly. Why did
7 they disapprove? What was the reasons for
8 disapproval? Do you know, Mr. Parkey?
9 JEFF PARKEY: They indicated the Planning
10 Commission Chair indicated on documents, public
11 concern was raised.
12 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else for Dr. Parkey?
13 We have a motion?
14 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman.
15 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.
16 CINDY WILSON: May I make the motion that
17 we deny this request and I'll explain once we have a
18 second.
19 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion from Ms.
20 Wilson to deny. We have a second?
21 KEN WATERS: Second.
22 TOMMY DUNN: Have a second by Mr. Water.
23 Now discussion. Ms. Wilson.
24 CINDY WILSON: There is a lot of major
25 road work that's going to be done right in that area,
26 taking out the Cherokee Road Bridge and raising it and
27 all the traffic improvements. And there's an effort
28 to remove, hopefully, the bridge at Beaverdam. That
29 would make that site a very, very important commercial
30 site and would hopefully bring the owners a great deal
31 -- a greater return. The people who I've talked with
32 in that area were very concerned about the lawlessness
33 over there. The mobile home park across the road has
34 had a Sheriff out there frequently. There have been
35 shootings over there. The mobile home subdivision
36 where the people actually own their homes, they have
37 been very concerned about those type issues.
38 So I respectfully ask that we deny and I pledge to
39 these people who own that property that we will do
40 what we can to make sure that they are well protected
41 and hopefully a new intersection there.
42 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion and a second.
43 Any more discussion? We have more discussion from
44 anyone? Just like to add my thoughts on this is
45 sometimes I might not agree with things, but I've
46 always tried to err on the side of whoever's district
47 it's in. Hopefully they know more about their
48 district and will keep their eyes and ears to the
49 thing, what's going on in their district. Most of the
50 time that's the way I tend to be. Wanted to throw

1 that out there. Anyone else have anything?

2 CRAIG WOOTEN: With the denial, would they
3 be able to come back -- at what point could they come
4 back in the future, maybe, after some maybe
5 lawlessness concerns were addressed and maybe the
6 intersection was finished. Could they revisit at a
7 later date when some of these concerns were maybe
8 addressed?

9 TOMMY DUNN: Be a year, wouldn't it?
10 You have to wait a year for the same rezoning. They
11 could ask for a different rezoning tomorrow, but for
12 the same zoning, you have to wait a year. That's
13 anybody. Is that not correct, Dr. Parkey? Does that
14 answer your question? Ms. Wilson.

15 CINDY WILSON: Well, the good news is that
16 the current commercial designation is a very coveted
17 zoning. It's usually the opposite; we have people who
18 come to us wanting the commercial zoning, and it's
19 difficult to get the commercial zoning.

20 TOMMY DUNN: All in favor of Ms.
21 Wilson's motion for denial show of hands. All opposed
22 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.
23 Thank you, Ms. Wilson. Thank you, Dr. Parkey.

24 Moving on now Item 7(b) 2018-031 a third
25 supplemental ordinance providing for the issuance and
26 sale of Anderson County, South Carolina Solid Waste
27 System Revenue Bonds, Series 2018, in the Aggregate
28 Principal amount not exceeding \$2,800,000 fixing the
29 form and certain details of the bonds; authorizing the
30 Chairman of the County Council, the County
31 Administrator and the Finance Director to determine
32 certain matters relating to the bonds; providing
33 certain payment of the bonds and the disposition of
34 the proceeds thereof. This is what Ms. Wilson talked
35 about a little bit a few minutes earlier. And Ms.
36 Wilson, would you like to add anything to what you
37 said?

38 CINDY WILSON: I apologize for getting us
39 off track.

40 TOMMY DUNN: This does come from the
41 Finance Committee -- I mean from the Public Works
42 Committee, but I would just like for Ms. Wilson makes
43 the motion again, we have a second, just since it's
44 just been such a little bit of time. You second?
45 Second Mr. Allen. Now are there any discussion? All
46 in favor of the motion show of hands. All opposed
47 like sign. Show the motion carries unanimously.

48 Moving on to Item number 7(c) 2018-033 an
49 ordinance authorizing the execution of an
50 Infrastructure Credit Agreement among Anderson County,

1 South Carolina, the City of Anderson, South Carolina,
2 JB Ferguson Properties LLC and Estate Planning
3 Consultants, Inc. Mr. Burriss.

4 BURRISS NELSON: Mr. Chairman, thank you;
5 and members of Council. This project has to do with
6 the city had invited the county to collaborate with
7 them in an economic development effort on South Main
8 Street. A number of properties there that were in --
9 were not in use. And this is a redevelopment
10 opportunity of all of those building spaces. And in
11 that light, we have offered with the city an incentive
12 package that allows the property taxes to be reduced
13 during the period of time of the redevelopment and the
14 initial startup of office spaces, commercial
15 facilities of numerous kinds. And as I said, it's a
16 collaborative effort for some buildings that likely
17 would be empty and opportunities for things that would
18 not be desirable.

19 Appreciate Council's taking a look at this project
20 and giving favorable consideration to it.

21 TOMMY DUNN: We have a motion? Motion
22 Ms. Wilson. Have a second? Second Mr. Allen. Now
23 discussion or any questions for Mr. Burriss?

24 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

26 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Burriss, is this one --
27 I can't remember what this one was about. This was
28 not the hotel, is it?

29 BURRISS NELSON: That's right, it is not.

30 GRACIE FLOYD: It is the hotel.

31 BURRISS NELSON: No, no. It is not.

32 GRACIE FLOYD: It's not the hotel. Okay,
33 which one was it?

34 BURRISS NELSON: The next -- this is the one
35 where there were some basically dilapidated properties
36 that are directly across Main Street from city hall.
37 And those properties are being redeveloped, going in
38 and cleaning them up. Putting in new utilities,
39 getting them prepared and ready for occupancy for a
40 number of commercial-type businesses. And it is, as I
41 said, a collaborative effort with the city. They
42 asked us to participate in this project with them. It
43 will at some point in time in the future create a
44 productive, tax-producing property.

45 GRACIE FLOYD: But what you're talking
46 about now is the execution of an infrastructure credit
47 agreement.

48 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, ma'am.

49 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. And the credit
50 agreement will be the money that's going to be needed

1 to either improve that property or to tear it down, am
2 I correct?

3 BURRISS NELSON: Well, the infrastructure
4 credit agreement merely reduces the amount of the
5 property tax liability so that the investor will be
6 able to spend all the money toward redevelopment of
7 the property and reconditioning the property.
8 It reduces the taxes.

9 GRACIE FLOYD: So the investor won't have
10 to pay any taxes on it because they're going to put
11 the money in fixing it up so they can make money off
12 it, right?

13 BURRISS NELSON: It will reduce the property
14 tax.

15 GRACIE FLOYD: Yeah, it will reduce the
16 property taxes for us. Okay. All right. I put one
17 note down here, something about industrial revenue
18 bond. That's not the same thing there, is it?

19 BURRISS NELSON: No, ma'am.

20 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. My notes got mixed
21 up. I thank you.

22 TOMMY DUNN: Any one else?

23 RAY GRAHAM: Mr. Chairman.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham.

25 RAY GRAHAM: This is a practice that
26 we've done in the past, enticing the growth and
27 basically investment for our area.

28 BURRISS NELSON: Certainly very similar to
29 using multi-county park agreement, infrastructure
30 credit agreement with that multi-county park is the
31 basis for that. And basically just reduces the
32 property tax and gives, in this case, the owner a
33 chance to redevelop the property and get it up and
34 running. It will be a revalued and be a more
35 expensive property and will have a higher tax value
36 when it's completed.

37 RAY GRAHAM: But with them doing the
38 work and moving forward on these plans, not only is it
39 going to increase the value of his property and
40 eventually increase the tax burden to him that's going
41 to be paid to the county and city on that property,
42 it's also going to increase the value of the
43 properties that adjoins that area, which is going to
44 continue the growth in downtown.

45 BURRISS NELSON: Certainly.

46 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Nelson.

47 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Chair.

48 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

49 GRACIE FLOYD: But let me point out,
50 Council members, that the infrastructure credit

1 agreement that we already have is for industrial
2 parks, am I correct, Mr. -- we're going to use the
3 same agreements that the industrial parks have. Isn't
4 this the one?

5 BURRISS NELSON: Multi-county park
6 agreement.

7 GRACIE FLOYD: Multi-county industrial
8 park agreement. We're going to use that one in order
9 to get this one done. It's not -- and Mr. -- please
10 explain that Industrial Revenue Bond. Why is that
11 still in my mind? Where was that one discussed?

12 BURRISS NELSON: We talked about the
13 Industrial Revenue Bond with Atlantic Bread property
14 over on 28 By-pass. And basically the county acts as
15 a pass-through ---

16 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, I know that.

17 BURRISS NELSON: --- with that one. And as
18 well, we were talking about the bond that's above this
19 one, which doesn't have -- it's not an industrial
20 revenue bond, but is a financing agreement for our
21 solid waste program, using DHEC funds.

22 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. All right. But the
23 thing is, the same agreement that we use for
24 industrial parks throughout Anderson County, we're
25 using that to -- as an execution of the infrastructure
26 credit agreement that's going to go downtown on Main
27 Street. Right? Got to be aware of that. Okay.
28 Thank you.

29 CINDY WILSON: Mr. Chairman, may I?

30 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.

31 CINDY WILSON: I used to have a lot of
32 trouble with considering these issues, but a lot has
33 changed. But it's most important to note that on the
34 second draft, the last statement in that paragraph it
35 says, talking about the county being authorized by
36 that to grant credits against the fee payments to
37 assist the company located in the multi-county
38 industrial park and it goes on. But the last, most
39 important clause is it states improved or unimproved
40 real estate property -- excuse me -- real estate and
41 personal property used in the operation of a
42 commercial or manufacturing enterprise located in the
43 multi-county industrial park to enhance the economic
44 development of the county. So we're covered in that
45 regard.

46 And there's another thing that I learned recently
47 that should help us a great deal. Mr. Burns informed
48 us recently that the I guess it's the TIF or Tax
49 Increment Financing expires in 2021.

50 RUSTY BURNS: Yes, ma'am.

1 CINDY WILSON: Which would be right ahead
2 of this project and probably the hotel project being
3 on the tax roll.
4 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. Chairman, if I might.
5 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.
6 RUSTY BURNS: We have received no taxes
7 on this property because it's in the tax increment
8 financing district. The county allocated its portion
9 of the taxes before to build the parking garage. That
10 expires in '21. Just to add for the next project, we
11 receive no taxes on that because (a) it's owned by the
12 city and (b) it's also in the tax increment financing
13 district. So these two things, we are not giving away
14 anything because we don't have anything. And this
15 will allow us to receive income in the future from
16 these developments.
17 TOMMY DUNN: But this is more about not
18 -- the city cannot do these kinds of things without
19 the county doing it.
20 RUSTY BURNS: Cannot.
21 TOMMY DUNN: And the other thing is,
22 keep in mind, we do a lot of things I'm not very happy
23 with, we already do things as far as helping companies
24 with infrastructure agreements like First Quality,
25 Arthrex and all them. But does me very good when you
26 can help a local businessman from town here for him to
27 be able to put forth -- that's what you always hear,
28 well, we're doing something for the small businessman.
29 And not really costing us nothing, just helping them
30 out, going to make, like I said, it's simple thing
31 because the city can't do this by themselves because
32 of state law. Anything else? All in favor of the
33 motion show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show
34 the motion carries Mr. Waters, Mr. Allen, Mr. Dunn,
35 Mr. Graham, Mr. Wooten, and Ms. Wilson in favor. Ms.
36 Floyd opposes. Thank you, Mr. Nelson.
37 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you.
38 TOMMY DUNN: Moving on now to Item
39 number -- we're on 7(d), right? 7(d) 2018-037 an
40 ordinance authorizing the execution of an
41 Infrastructure Credit Agreement among Anderson County,
42 Project Accommodation, and the City of Anderson. Mr.
43 Nelson.
44 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, sir. This is another
45 collaborative project with the city. Also, still in
46 the TIF district. And that development opportunity
47 will provide income for us. The completion dates for
48 the projects are about the same as the end of the TIF.
49 So it's another opportunity for tax income that the
50 county hasn't had for fifteen years. How long was the

1 TIF? Twenty? Anyhow, we funded the parking deck. So
2 this will bring about a development where the county
3 will actually receive tax fund. Otherwise, that
4 property now is non-taxable or is within the city's
5 ownership and is exempt from property tax altogether.
6 So this will become a tax generating facility and
7 development.

8 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. We have a
9 motion to move this forward?

10 KEN WATERS: So moved.

11 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Waters. Second
12 Mr. Allen. Now discussion?

13 GRACIE FLOYD: Please.

14 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

15 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Burriss, would you -- I
16 intended to ask you this today and it slipped my mind.
17 Could you please explain the difference between 33 and
18 37? It almost has the same language.

19 RUSTY BURNS: The language, Ms. Floyd, is
20 that is prescribed in state law so that's why we use
21 those terms. That's what -- the language that is
22 prescribed by the state that you use for these
23 endeavors.

24 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Burriss.

25 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, ma'am.

26 GRACIE FLOYD: Please, yeah.

27 BURRISS NELSON: Well, 33 is a description
28 using multi-county park language and some language in
29 another incentive package that the state has offered
30 in the past. And that breaks down those as individual
31 investment components over a period of time. And
32 that's why that language reads the way it does in 33
33 and not the way it does in 34 because -- or in 37 --
34 because that would be a lump sum capital investment
35 project.

36 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay. But it almost is the
37 same thing.

38 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, ma'am.

39 GRACIE FLOYD: Accommodations and the
40 city. Well, okay. But you see, I'm just plain old --
41 I'm just a plain old Joe. I'm a layman. I don't
42 understand all the big languages and stuff. And I
43 know you called me early so I wouldn't ask so many
44 question on the floor. But that's one of the
45 questions that I intended to ask and I just forgot to
46 do it today. But I still don't understand why it's
47 almost the same language. It's almost the same
48 language but it's for different things, right?

49 BURRISS NELSON: Well, slightly, yes, ma'am.
50 You're right. You're correct.

1 GRACIE FLOYD: Okay.
2 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? All in favor
3 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
4 Show the motion carries Mr. Waters, Mr. Allen, Mr.
5 Dunn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Wooten and Ms. Wilson in favor.
6 Ms. Floyd opposes.

7 Now we're moving on to Item number 7(e) 2018-038
8 an ordinance to amend an agreement for the development
9 of a Joint County Industrial and Business Park (2010
10 Park) of Anderson and Greenville Counties as to
11 enlarge the park.

12 BURRISS NELSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman,
13 members of Council. This is just an ordinance that
14 allows these two previous projects to be included in
15 the multi-county agreement that we have with
16 Greenville where we have the revenue sharing and we
17 actually receive more funds coming back from
18 Greenville than we do -- than we send in the projects
19 that we have here. But this allows them to be able to
20 have the platform for the incentives that we talked
21 about.

22 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. We have a
23 motion to move this forward?

24 TOM ALLEN: So moved.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Mr. Allen. Second
26 Mr. Graham. Any discussion?

27 GRACIE FLOYD: Yes.

28 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Floyd.

29 GRACIE FLOYD: Now, this one says an
30 ordinance to amend an agreement for the development of
31 a joint county industrial and business park of
32 Anderson and Greenville County as to enlarge the park.
33 Right?

34 BURRISS NELSON: Yes, ma'am.

35 GRACIE FLOYD: But is this the one where
36 we talked about the parking spaces behind the one that
37 they park police cars in and all of that?

38 BURRISS NELSON: That's right. This is that
39 same location.

40 GRACIE FLOYD: All right. Well, the
41 language doesn't say anything about that. But tell me
42 if I'm understanding this right now. What we're
43 proposing here is to take that parking space that's
44 right behind the pizza place -- what's the pizza place
45 called? Yellow Mellow Pizza? All that parking spaces
46 back there what used to be the business section for
47 African Americans back there, they're going to take
48 all that and they're going to lend it, give it or
49 whatever to the hotel that they're planning on
50 building downtown. And the hotel is going to take all

1 of those parking spaces and they're going to build a
2 parking deck for their hotel folks. But meanwhile,
3 businesses that front Main Street and Benson Street --
4 I think this is Benson Street -- that used to park
5 back there will not be able to park back there any
6 more because the parking spaces will be gone. The
7 Bleckley Inn over there that uses those parking spaces
8 for their residents won't have parking spaces back
9 there anymore because it will be a parking deck. And
10 public parking lots will be gone. That's where I fell
11 one night going to dinner to J Peter's back there --
12 well, that'll be gone too. And the city -- well
13 that's -- the city parking spaces that the police uses
14 over there, that will be gone, too. Or are they going
15 to let that one stay?

16 BURRISS NELSON: No, I believe that that
17 will be used by the hotel property.

18 GRACIE FLOYD: So all of those parking
19 spaces back there where they just put that park back
20 there will be gone. So that this hotel coming
21 downtown can build a parking deck where folks going to
22 have to pay to park their car, which will benefit the
23 -- which will benefit the hotel people.

24 And see, now, we may get a millage of seventy-five
25 percent. Is that fair to the taxpayer? Is that fair
26 to the public to do that? When downtown is already
27 congested and we won't have parking spaces to park the
28 little places we go. There's only one handicap
29 parking space on that road and that's right in front
30 of J Peter's. People like me will have to do what?
31 Go into the parking -- pay to go into the parking deck
32 because we're going to give all those parking spaces
33 to a hotel. When the Bleckley Inn came in they built
34 their own parking spaces in the back of theirs. And
35 these folks can't build theirs in the back because
36 they're going to put in a swimming pool for the hotel.
37 One that we won't be able to swim in, the public,
38 unless you pay some money. Is that fair to the
39 public? That's just my question.

40 TOMMY DUNN: Anyone else? All in favor
41 of the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
42 Show the motion carries with Mr. Waters, Mr. Allen,
43 Mr. Dunn, Mr. Graham, Mr. Wooten and Ms. Wilson in
44 favor and Ms. Floyd opposes.

45 Now moving on to Item number 9 A Report from the
46 Planning and Public Works Committee meeting held on
47 August the 13th, 2018. Chairman Wilson. Ms. Wilson.

48 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
49 First I want to thank Mr. Allen for filling in for one
50 of our committee members so that we could hold the

1 meeting. There's been a lot of work to do. And also,
2 Dr. Parkey introduced our new planning employee, Ms.
3 Lisa Mann, who recently earned her master's degree
4 from the Clemson -- from Clemson. Then we had an
5 interesting presentation which was an update on the
6 Anderson County Housing Analysis. And I'll quickly
7 review this with you. And we should have copies out.

8 For example, twenty-seven percent of households in
9 Anderson County are cost burdened. This is compared
10 to twenty-seven percent in Greenville County, twenty-
11 six percent in Oconee County, twenty-eight percent in
12 Pickens County and thirty percent in South Carolina.
13 That means that that -- a greater amount of funds go
14 towards providing housing for those people. Renters
15 are more than twice as likely to be cost burdened than
16 owners. Seventy-one percent of occupied units are
17 owner occupied and twenty-nine percent are renter
18 occupied. Fifty-three percent of housing units in
19 Anderson County have three bedrooms. Sixty-two
20 percent of households are one person or two person
21 households. There is a clustering of neighborhood
22 improvement project and forfeited land commission
23 properties in the Appleton Mill and Morningside
24 communities. Our Planning Department stated that they
25 did not see any of the most common occupations -- for
26 example in the Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin
27 metropolitan statistical area being priced out of
28 Anderson housing market. So that was very reassuring.
29 However, as we have a very rapid level of growth that
30 will probably change.

31 The next item Dr. Parkey advised that we will soon
32 have new options for subdivision requirements
33 available, hopefully by our next meeting. Dr. Parkey
34 also provided an overview of the recent popularity of
35 tiny homes. There are new guidelines being developed
36 by the International Building codes. There seem to be
37 two types of tiny homes that have been evolving. One
38 is a type of mobile home on wheels, which will be more
39 appropriately governed by SCDMV. And the other small
40 accessory homes for lots with an existing dwelling, or
41 small homes of less than a thousand square feet with
42 separate sites. There's a lot more to be learned here
43 before we come up with some guidelines.

44 Ms. Celia Boyd Myers explained the improvements
45 planned for Kid Venture, which will allow for greater
46 use and participation by all of our citizens, greater
47 safety for our citizens and a better flow at the park.
48 And please refer to your rendering that was provided.

49 There's continuing work for updating our 2009
50 County Recreation plan. There's much more analysis to

1 come requiring Council to prioritize and approve.
2 ... to all that worked hard at getting this
3 information together. Does anyone who was present
4 want to add anything? Thank you. This is as we
5 submit.

6 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you for the report,
7 Ms. Wilson.

8 Moving on Road Acceptance. Any objections to
9 taking all three of these? Problem doing all three of
10 these at one time? Be Hanna Crossing, Jacket Lane and
11 Part of Scenic Road. We got a problem doing all three
12 of these? We got a motion to accept these?

13 KEN WATERS: So moved.

14 CINDY WILSON: Second.

15 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Waters, second Ms.
16 Wilson. Any discussion? I just say we know all of
17 these are -- meet all our criteria and all our
18 standards. Hearing that, all in favor of the motion
19 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
20 motion carries unanimously. Ms. Floyd stepped out of
21 the room.

22 Does anyone have any appointments? I don't have
23 no list here.

24 Move on to requests by Council members. Couple of
25 things on that. If you look at the bottom of the
26 page, Anderson County 4-H, Clemson Cooperative
27 Extension. That is requests from all Council members.
28 Just want to make sure it's not what you call it. And
29 I'd also like to point out and welcome Director of
30 Salvation Army is here and appreciate him being here
31 tonight.

32 Hearing that, we'll move on. Mr. Waters, you have
33 any -- moving on to Item 12 Request by Council
34 members.

35 KEN WATERS: Yeah. Can I do all these
36 at one time?

37 TOMMY DUNN: Yes, sir.

38 KEN WATERS: Okay, the first one the
39 Salvation Army of Anderson County a thousand dollars.
40 The second one CESA Tri County soccer three thousand
41 dollars. Powdersville High School Fishing team five
42 hundred dollars. And Powdersville YMCA five thousand
43 dollars. And I bring this in the form of a motion.

44 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Waters.
45 Have a second?

46 CINDY WILSON: Second.

47 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
48 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
49 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
50 unanimously. Mr. Allen.

1 TOM ALLEN: Yes, I also have three that
2 I'd like to put all together here. The first one the
3 Anderson Life Crises Pregnancy Center, I'd like to
4 contribute five hundred dollars from my rec account.
5 The Salvation Army two thousand dollars from my
6 recreation account. And the Anderson County 4-H
7 Cooperative Extension five hundred dollars. And I put
8 that in the form of a motion.
9 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Allen.
10 Second Mr. Waters. Any discussion? All in favor of
11 the motion show of hands. All opposed like sign.
12 Show the motion carries unanimously. Mr. Graham.
13 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
14 If it's okay I'm going to do all these in one motion
15 as well.
16 TOMMY DUNN: That'll be fine.
17 RAY GRAHAM: For Anderson Life Crises
18 Pregnancy Center I request fifteen hundred dollars.
19 For Salvation Army I request fifteen hundred dollars
20 as well. For Anderson Jet Track Club I request five
21 hundred dollars. For Iva Museum I request seven
22 hundred. For Homeland Park July the 4th celebration I
23 request fifteen hundred dollars. For Belton Area
24 Museum I request a thousand dollars. And for Anderson
25 County 4-H Clemson Coop I request five hundred
26 dollars.
27 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion here from Mr.
28 Graham. Have a second?
29 KEN WATERS: Second.
30 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Waters. Any
31 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
32 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
33 unanimously. Mr. Wooten.
34 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, I'd like to make a
35 motion for two items. For Anderson Life Crisis
36 Pregnancy Center I'd like to do fifteen hundred
37 dollars. For the Salvation Army of Anderson ??? for
38 me and I think this is going to give us the ability or
39 to aid him ??? new folks to attend his facility which
40 means twenty folks could be off the streets and be in
41 a situation where they could hopefully rehabilitate.
42 It takes pressure off law enforcement. It takes
43 pressure off the emergency room. And it also allows
44 for the downtown merchants and residents to find a
45 solution for some folks who have battled homelessness
46 for a number of reasons. But regardless allow them to
47 have somewhere to go. So I'd like to do eight
48 thousand dollars for that one. I put that in the form
49 of a motion.
50 KEN WATERS: Second.

1 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Mr. Wooten
2 and second by Ms. Wilson. All in favor of the motion
3 show of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the
4 motion carries unanimously. Anything else, Mr.
5 Wooten?
6 CRAIG WOOTEN: No, sir.
7 TOMMY DUNN: Ms. Wilson.
8 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I
9 have several of them. From District 7's recreation
10 account please appropriate to the Salvation Army a
11 thousand dollars. For the Pelzer Heritage Commission
12 thirty-five hundred dollars. For the Clemson
13 Cooperative Extension for their livestock show five
14 hundred dollars. For the town of West Pelzer for
15 their recreation programs twenty-five hundred dollars.
16 And that I put in the form of a motion.
17 TOMMY DUNN: Motion Ms. Wilson. Have a
18 second?
19 TOM ALLEN: Second.
20 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
21 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
22 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries. Ms.
23 Wilson, anything else?
24 CINDY WILSON: Yes, sir. From District
25 7's paving account, please accept these for
26 appropriations. The town of Pelzer seventeen thousand
27 dollars. West Pelzer twenty-five thousand dollars.
28 Williamston fifty-two thousand dollars. And Honea
29 Path forty-eight thousand dollars to count towards
30 their matches and other work. And I also wanted to
31 request that Mr. Burns talk with our Roads and Bridges
32 Department about some riprap for the towns of
33 Williamston and Honea Path for some serious issues
34 they have there. I put that in the form of a motion.
35 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Ms. Wilson.
36 Have a second?
37 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. Chairman.
38 TOMMY DUNN: Uh-huh.
39 RUSTY BURNS: On Ms. Wilson's second
40 request, for the riprap that will go in Dogwood Park,
41 that is six thousand dollars -- up to six thousand
42 dollars. It's a little be less. But that should come
43 from the accommodations tax because that is tourism
44 related. So if we could have that stated that way,
45 the money would come from there.
46 TOMMY DUNN: We'll come back to that.
47 CINDY WILSON: So Spring Water Park, they
48 had requested, too.
49 TOMMY DUNN: Did you make that -- add
50 that to your motion, Ms. Wilson?

1 CINDY WILSON: I would request that Mr.
2 Burns work with all of us to find some accommodations
3 funding for the riprap needed in Williamston Spring
4 Water Park and for Honea Path's Dogwood Park.
5 TOMMY DUNN: We have a second?
6 TOM ALLEN: Second.
7 TOMMY DUNN: Second Mr. Allen. Any
8 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
9 Show the motion carries. Anything else, Ms. Wilson?
10 CINDY WILSON: That covers all of the
11 funds we have.
12 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. Ms. Floyd, you have
13 anything?
14 GRACIE FLOYD: I have only one thing and
15 that's for the Eastside Community that's around down
16 there near the Walker Park area. They are -- I would
17 like to allocate six hundred dollars from the District
18 2's recreation account to go down there. They are
19 already in the files with the 501(c)(3). That's the
20 only thing I have.
21 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion Ms. Floyd.
22 Have a second?
23 CINDY WILSON: Second.
24 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any
25 discussion? All in favor of Ms. Floyd's motion show
26 of hands. All opposed like sign. Show the motion
27 carries unanimously.
28 From District 5's recreation account, I'd like to
29 appropriate fifteen hundred dollars to Anderson Life
30 Crises Pregnancy Center, two thousand dollars to the
31 Salvation Army and five hundred dollars to County 4-H
32 Clemson Cooperative Extension Service. Put that in
33 the form of a motion.
34 KEN WATERS: Second.
35 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any
36 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
37 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
38 unanimously.
39 TOM ALLEN: Mr. Chair.
40 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Allen.
41 TOM ALLEN: I want to complement the
42 Salvation Army, too, on the work they do. And I just
43 have a question. Did we -- how can I put this -- get
44 enough scrapped together tonight?
45 RUSTY BURNS: Five hundred dollars more
46 to make twenty, counting the contribution Mr. Wooten
47 solicited from the United Way.
48 TOMMY DUNN: We're five hundred dollars
49 short.
50 GRACIE FLOYD: Do what?

1 TOM ALLEN: Five hundred more?
2 RUSTY BURNS: If my math is correct.
3 TOM ALLEN: Okay. That's what I was
4 wondering.
5 RUSTY BURNS: Good to be wondering. I
6 think it's at nineteen five and I believe the request
7 from the Salvation Army was for twenty. United Way,
8 Mr. Wooten contacted the United Way. They're going to
9 put in five thousand dollars. Mr. Wooten pledged
10 eight thousand dollars. Mr. Waters put in a thousand.
11 Mr. Allen put in two thousand. You put in ---
12 TOMMY DUNN: Two thousand.
13 RUSTY BURNS: Two thousand. You put in
14 fifteen hundred.
15 RAY GRAHAM: It was actually twenty-one
16 thousand what they requested.
17 RUSTY BURNS: How much is that? And I
18 missed Ms. Wilson.
19 GRACIE FLOYD: What's it for?
20 RUSTY BURNS: Looks like we're good.
21 Opinion of legal counsel is that we're there, Mr.
22 Chairman.
23 TOMMY DUNN: Okay. All right. Thank
24 you, Mr. Allen.
25 Moving on now to Item number 13, Administrator's
26 Report.
27 RUSTY BURNS: Nothing at this time, Mr.
28 Chairman.
29 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you.
30 At this time we'll move on to Citizens Comments.
31 Mr. Harmon calls your name please state your name and
32 district for the record. Address the Chair, please.
33 You have three minutes.
34 LEON HARMON: Mr. Chairman, we have one
35 citizen signed up. Elizabeth Fant.
36 ELIZABETH FANT: Sit back down. Elizabeth
37 Fant, District 3. I can see that we've got a lot of
38 good things going on, especially these committees.
39 Been a lot of work this summer. Even though there
40 hasn't been meetings on necessarily the prescribed
41 days, there's been a lot of work going on.
42 I have a concern about the fact that we may be
43 overbuilding -- overbuilding hotels, overbuilding
44 houses, overbuilding trailer parks. All of this, it's
45 great when we have companies come in and we have more
46 jobs, more people. But we're not paying attention to
47 the infrastructure; the roads, the sewer, and all the
48 things that have to support that. I don't know who
49 thought up this thing about the hotel downtown, but I
50 think it's a terrible idea. And I think it's

1 certainly a slap in the face of the man who set up
2 Bleckley Inn and his events center down there. He put
3 a lot of his money into that, his heart and soul. Why
4 you would want to have a hotel down there at his
5 backdoor, I have no idea who thought that idea up. If
6 you want to put a hotel where it won't impact downtown
7 traffic so much, why not somebody go and buy the
8 property that used to be City Seed? It's a wonderful
9 property, it faces on Murray. It's near the United
10 Way. It's got land. It's got opportunities for
11 parking expansion. Also I'm concerned about what is
12 going to go in back here where the old Bailes building
13 is. You've already short on parking. Water and sewer
14 downtown, downstairs. Those of us who park oftentimes
15 have to park on the front side of that. I don't know
16 what you're planning on doing for people parking
17 because we're already in a pinch.

18 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Harmon.

19 LEON HARMON: No one else is signed up,
20 Mr. Chairman.

21 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Harmon.

22 Comments from Council members. Mr. Waters.

23 KEN WATERS: Can we take a break since I
24 missed last meeting I've got a lot I want to say.

25 TOMMY DUNN: I've got a lot to say to
26 you since you missed last meeting.

27 KEN WATERS: Mr. Wooten, are you going
28 to mention your flowers down there?

29 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes.

30 KEN WATERS: Okay, I won't mention them
31 then. I'd just like to say, you know, we've been
32 talking about motels. Well, I had some plumbing
33 issues at my house the other night and so I stayed at
34 a motel in beautiful downtown Powdersville. So
35 sometimes those things come in pretty handy. And I
36 did pay the accommodations tax there also. But
37 anyway, that's all I have to say. Thank you, Mr.
38 Chair.

39 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Waters. Mr.
40 Allen.

41 TOM ALLEN: Yeah, Mr. Chair. Just very
42 quickly regarding the parking situation. Most of the
43 comments made tonight are absolutely true. A lot of
44 the parking spaces by the police department are going
45 to be gone. But it's my understanding that across the
46 street, and Rusty, maybe you can help me, there's two
47 old buildings over where what used to be that's going
48 to be torn down for parking for the ---

49 RUSTY BURNS: I believe you're referring
50 to where the old funeral home used to be?

1 TOM ALLEN: Yeah. Yeah. Yeah. It's
2 going to become parking. And also, there is a big
3 parking garage downtown that is basically vacant.
4 RUSTY BURNS: And the city is currently
5 doing a parking study of all downtown. And so that
6 should be ready in about four to five weeks.
7 TOM ALLEN: Okay. All right. That was
8 the only comment I had. Thanks.
9 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Allen. Ms.
10 Floyd.
11 GRACIE FLOYD: Mr. Wooten,
12 congratulations.
13 CRAIG WOOTEN: Thank you.
14 GRACIE FLOYD: Is this your first
15 daughter?
16 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes.
17 GRACIE FLOYD: It's your only daughter I
18 meant. Well, your first. I can say that.
19 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, ma'am. It's our only
20 daughter.
21 GRACIE FLOYD: Well, congratulations.
22 Every father needs a daughter so she can wrap you
23 around her finger. I want to, I know that the cameras
24 aren't here tonight, but I sure wanted to make a
25 statement concerning my recreation account.
26 Now I know it has been said that some of you use
27 your recreation account that you think is nothing but
28 a slush fund. Well, mine is not a slush fund. We got
29 in a lot of trouble about that same words slush funds
30 a couple of years ago. I don't know if you all have
31 been around to remember that. But mine is not a slush
32 fund. I do not give money by letter. I get letters
33 all of the time for money. I don't do that. I don't
34 think it's fair to the taxpayers that I don't know
35 where -- the District 2 taxpayers to know -- if I
36 don't know where the money is going and what it's for.
37 So if you need tax -- you need some rec fund -- it's
38 got to be recreational because the ordinance says it's
39 a recreational purposes. But if you have a need and
40 you need money for your recreational purpose and you
41 have a 501(c)(3) I think I pronounced it correctly,
42 please don't write me, call me. I'm worthy to be
43 talked to on behalf of the people whose money it is.
44 Call me and tell me what your need -- what your needs
45 are and let me know what you're going to do with it
46 and then I will be more -- if it's legit, I would be
47 more than happy to support your organization. If you
48 will look at my history, you will see that most of my
49 money has gone -- in fact, all of my money has gone to
50 recreational purposes. We have some folks in Anderson

1 who aren't even -- who don't even know that we have
2 money for recreational. But anyway, that's a District
3 2 and District 2 only. The others do theirs their
4 way. But I don't handle slush funds.

5 The hotel vacancies. Folks, let's be careful
6 here. Let's be careful here. Can we accommodate
7 another hotel? With -- how many rooms, Mr. Burns?

8 RUSTY BURNS: Eighty.

9 GRACIE FLOYD: Eighty rooms. Boy, to make
10 some money, you got to have those rooms occupied
11 almost every night. That's not going to happen here
12 in Anderson. Every night. But to take the parking
13 spaces, to take your parking spaces away from us. You
14 know, I am partially handicapped. All right. Where
15 am I supposed to park? I went behind that thing,
16 behind the building and I fell there. So I have to
17 depend on the parking on the street. If they have the
18 hotel and they're going to take all of the back ones,
19 where are people like me supposed to park? You may
20 not worry about it today, but next week, week after
21 next, couple of years from now, if you're still here
22 in Anderson, you're going to be worried about it.
23 Thank you.

24 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Graham.

25 RAY GRAHAM: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
26 Just want to commend the Salvation Army for the job
27 you guys do. Definitely think it's an honor to be
28 able to support you guys on the program that you are
29 working on with the homeless. Downtown Anderson is
30 not actually my district, but I do realize that
31 Anderson County on the whole could move further so
32 much quicker with y'all's assistance with the issue we
33 have with the homeless downtown.

34 When I first got on city police department, I
35 never even imagined the type of problems we have
36 downtown with homeless people. You know, whether it's
37 they've gotten down on their luck, whether it's just
38 situations that they've put themselves in or
39 situations they didn't have no control over, we've got
40 a serious issue here. And to see you guys step up and
41 I've worked with you guys many a times as far as
42 bringing people to your door at night to, you know,
43 get shelter. And again, it's just a great program
44 that y'all offer. I'm glad to see my fellow Council
45 members supporting you guys on this. And hopefully we
46 can continue moving forward and making it better for
47 Anderson County for all citizens, even the homeless
48 ones. Thank you, guys for what you do.

49 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Graham. Mr.
50 Wooten.

1 CRAIG WOOTEN: Yes, looks like we've got a
2 solid Celebrate Anderson lineup coming, so I think
3 that's going to be a big Labor Day weekend. I wanted
4 to just, you know, comment briefly that it seems like
5 there's been some solid videography and media on line
6 for some things and events coming in the county. I
7 think that's been key because we've had a lot of good
8 things going on and communications and getting the
9 word out to different constituencies and different
10 districts about items. I think it's going to be
11 important moving into the future. I would actually
12 like to look at that going into next year about how we
13 can maybe provide some resources or some contract
14 solutions to help the media department even have a
15 further reach.

16 But to end it, I'd like to say thank you for all
17 the best wishes. Margo Wooten was born exactly two
18 weeks ago and she's seven pounds, fourteen ounces.
19 And that's my fourth child so I've been telling
20 everybody I wasn't counting on retirement, but now I
21 know I'm working here on out. But the county, the
22 staff, other Council members have been so gracious to
23 me and I really appreciate your kind words and best
24 wishes. Thank you so much.

25 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you, Mr. Wooten. Ms.
26 Wilson.

27 CINDY WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
28 Mirroring what others have said about our Salvation
29 Army here, it's an incredible ministry that you
30 perform and our Coordinating Council for Criminal
31 Justice and others are working really hard to try to
32 define what is simple or complex mental illness and
33 drug abuse and that sort of thing and try to channel
34 those people into better directions. Maybe not into
35 jail and put the serious offenders in jail. But try
36 to cut down on recidivism. So that's important and
37 we're very grateful to y'all for that.

38 We're hoping to do another Planning and Public
39 Works committee meeting. Dr. Parkey and his staff are
40 working really hard to come up with upgraded solutions
41 for some of our subdivision issues.

42 And I wonder if Mr. Waters and Mr. Wooten might be
43 available Monday at noon and that is the 27th? Would
44 that work for y'all?

45 KEN WATERS: I don't see a problem for
46 me. Mr. Wooten, whatever.

47 CINDY WILSON: Okay. Can you do earlier,
48 Mr. Waters?

49 KEN WATERS: Yeah. That'll be fine.

50 CINDY WILSON: What time?

1 KEN WATERS: Oh, I haven't got my makeup
2 on by 8:30.
3 CINDY WILSON: We'll have donuts and
4 coffee for Mr. Waters. Okay. 8:30, then. All right.
5 Thank y'all.
6 TOMMY DUNN: Mr. Burns, you have
7 something?
8 RUSTY BURNS: I'm sorry. I let Mr.
9 Waters down. Mr. Waters wanted to make an
10 appropriation of fifty thousand dollars for the new
11 road in Powdersville that has done a great deal to
12 relieve the traffic up there. Mr. Waters.
13 KEN WATERS: Yeah, I apologize for that.
14 RUSTY BURNS: I forgot. I was supposed
15 to remind you.
16 KEN WATERS: Yeah. All right. That's
17 good. I'd like to make a motion to appropriate fifty
18 thousand dollars from the paving fund for the new road
19 at the -- between the Powdersville High School -- I'm
20 sorry the Powdersville Middle School and Elementary
21 School.
22 TOMMY DUNN: That's District 6?
23 KEN WATERS: Yeah. District 6 paving
24 fund. I bring that in the form of a motion.
25 TOMMY DUNN: Have a motion. Have
26 second?
27 TOM ALLEN: Second.
28 TOMMY DUNN: Second Ms. Wilson. Any
29 discussion? All in favor of the motion show of hands.
30 All opposed like sign. Show the motion carries
31 unanimously.
32 RUSTY BURNS: Two more brief things, Mr.
33 Dunn. This morning representatives from the Abney
34 Foundation went to the Anderson County PAWS facility
35 and brought a check for a hundred thousand dollars for
36 our new dog park at the animal shelter. No fanfare,
37 nothing. They walked in and we just want to thank
38 Buck Fulp and Dr. Lisa McWhorter and Mr. Carl Edwards
39 for that generous contribution of a hundred thousand
40 dollars.
41 And also thank representative Brian White who
42 assisted us in finding seven hundred thousand dollars
43 more for sewer projects in Anderson County.
44 TOMMY DUNN: Thank you. And Mr. Burns,
45 make sure to get them a letter, especially the Abbey
46 Foundation who in years past when anyway we've had a
47 shortage of food crisis at the animal shelter or
48 blankets or whatnot, they've always stepped forward
49 and appreciate them what all they do.
50 Also the Salvation Army, appreciate y'all, what

1 y'all have done for Anderson County over the years and
2 look forward to working with y'all in the future. Do
3 great work.

4 Want to thank Mr. Burns. And everybody come out
5 for Celebrate Anderson. Help out the employees picnic
6 and whatnot and greet employees whatnot. Mr. Burns.

7 RUSTY BURNS: Mr. Dunn, we have
8 approximately one thousand people who work for
9 Anderson County. We've received nine hundred
10 responses that they will be there, so I think all the
11 county employees will be at the Family Picnic leading
12 up to Celebrate Anderson.

13 TOMMY DUNN: That's great. Appreciate
14 everybody. Meeting will be adjourned.

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(MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:39 P.M.)