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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Building
Third Ave, Ridgeland, SC 29936

Monday, June 15, 2026

AGENDA

3:00PM: Executive Session with the City of Hardeeville

Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:

(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice, where the legal advice related to pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim –

(1) Joint Services Contract with the City of Hardeeville

(Chairman Rowell has recused himself from this Executive Session)

Any Executive Session Matter on Which Discussion Has Not Been Completed May Have Discussion Suspended for the Purpose of Beginning the Open Session at Its Scheduled Time, And Council May Return to Executive Session Discussion After the Conclusion of The Open Session Agenda Items.

Note: Please Be Advised, There May Be Votes Based on Items from the Executive Session.

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- Come out of Executive Session:
 - Return to Open Session:
 - Council Action to be taken on items as discussed in this Executive Session

Note: Council may act on any item appearing on the agenda, including items discussed in executive session.

At the conclusion of this Executive Session the Jasper County Council will move into the Budget Workshop.

Budget Workshop

- FY 26/27 Budget by Kim Burgess

5:00 PM: Council Executive Session

➤ Please silence your phones during the Meeting.

1. Call the Council Meeting to Order by Chairman Rowell

Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act: *In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, notification of the meeting and the meeting agenda were posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting on the County Council Building at a publicly accessible place, on the county website, and a copy of the agenda was provided to the local news media and all person's or organizations requesting notification.*

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:

3. Approval of the Agenda:

4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Approval of the Consent Agenda passes all Consent Agenda Items. Consent Agenda Items are not considered separately unless a Councilmember requests it. In the event of such a request, the item is placed at the end of the Public Hearings, Ordinances, and Action Items.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

A) Approval of the Minutes of 12.01.2026

This is the end of the Consent Agenda Items.

5. Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

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(1) Discussion related to recruiting and development with the Cypress Ridge Business and Industrial Park;

(2) Legal Advice for Resolution # [R-2026-26](#)

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6:00 PM: Regular Session

• **Come out of Executive Session:**

• **Return to Open Session:**

➤ **5.1. Council Action to be taken on items as discussed in Executive Session**

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6. Presentation:

A) **Mr. Hank Amundson, LCOG Executive Director** – Introduction to Council as the LCOG Executive Director and a Q & A with Council.

B) **Eric Larson** – Presentation on Jasper County Community Centers and the Coosawhatchie Community Center Update.

C) **Eric Larson and Kate Schaffer (Beaufort County Open Land Trust)** - Consideration of the investment of \$2,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy from the Jasper County Greenbelt Program for the acquisition of a conservation easement on the Chelsea State Forest in Jasper County.

7. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance Number #08-17. Any citizen of the County may sign to speak in person at the Council Meeting (before the Council Meeting's 6:00 PM start time on the Sign-In Sheet on the Podium), to address the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per person, and total public input will be limited to 30 MINUTES.

8. RESOLUTIONS

A) **Russell Wells and Eric Larson** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-37** of Jasper County, SC. Confirming Appointment/Appointing Code Enforcement Officer For The Proper Security, General Welfare, And Convenience Of Jasper County.

B) **Russell Wells and Eric Larson** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-38** of Jasper County, SC. Confirming Appointment/Appointing Litter Control Officers For The Proper Security, General Welfare, And Convenience of Jasper County.

C) **Jim Iwanicki / Burr Forman** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-39** of Jasper County, SC. for Consideration of placing the Single Member District Referendum on the November Ballot.

D) **Eric Larson** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-40** of Jasper County, SC. Approving the investment of \$2,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy from the Jasper County Greenbelt Program for the acquisition of a conservation easement on the Chelsea State Forest in Jasper County.

E) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-35** of Jasper County, SC. Approving Annual Contracts For Fiscal Year 2027 Greater Than \$25,000 And Authorizing The County Administrator To Execute The Contracts. *(Removed from the 06.01.2026 agenda)*

F) **Keith Horton, Clerk of Court and Jessica Davis** - Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-26** a Resolution of Jasper County, South Carolina, Approving the Establishment of a Rollover Bank Account for Unencumbered Title IV-D Child Support Funds Known as Unit Cost Reimbursement Funds. *(Item was tabled at the 05.04.2026 meeting; Tabled at the 06.01.2026 meeting)*

G) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-41** a Resolution of Jasper County Council Finding That Normal Daily Operations of the Jasper County Levy Fire Station (“Station #25”) are Affected by the Necessity for the Expedient Replacement of the Septic System Drainfield and Pursuant to Section 2-412 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances Which Allows for Emergency Procurement Where Normal Daily Operations are Affected, and to Authorize the County Administrator to Contract With Ideal Waste Water Solutions for the Installation of a New Septic System Drainfield and Obtain the Services on Behalf on Jasper County, and Matters Related Thereto.

H) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-42** of Jasper County Council to Approve the Procurement of Technology Replacements for Jasper County and the Jasper County Emergency Communications Center Through a State of South Carolina Contract, and Matters Related Thereto.

I) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution **#R-2026-43** of Jasper County Council to Approve the Procurement of Technology Replacements for Jasper County and the Emergency Services Division Through a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement and Pursuant to the Jasper County Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance, and Matters Related Thereto.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND ACTION ITEMS

A) **Lawrence Flynn and Chief Wells** – **Public Comments** and Consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-17** Amending Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances of Jasper County Regarding Fire Protection Districts to Create the Jasper County Rural Fire Protection District; Eliminating all Existing Fire Protection Districts; Authorizing the Novation of all Outstanding Bonds and Other Debt Obligations to the New District; Requesting and Accepting Dedication of County-Funded Fire Capital Equipment and Facilities; Authorizing a Fire Service Contract Between the New District and The City Of Hardeeville; Authorizing the Lease of Certain County Real Property; Authorizing the Conveyance of Certain Personal Property; and Other Matters Relating Thereto. *(1st Reading 04.06.2026; Public Hearing and 2nd Reading 05.04.2026)* (Chairman Rowell has recused himself from this item Ord# O-2026-17 under regular session)

B) **Keith Horton, Clerk of Court and Jessica Davis** – Consideration of the Request to Approve the Purchase of two X-ray Machines—one for the Courthouse and one for the Administrative Building—for a total of two machines, to be funded from this new line item. *(Item was tabled at the 05.04.2026 meeting; Tabled at the 06.01.2026 meeting)*

C) **Kimberly Burgess** – **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **3rd Reading** Ordinance **#O-2026-18** to provide for the levy of tax for public purposes in Jasper County for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 2026 and ending June 30th 2027 and to make appropriations for said purposes; to adopt and approve the Jasper County capital and operations budget for fiscal year 2026-2027, to adopt and approve the Jasper County School District capital and operations budget for fiscal year 2026–2027; to provide for the levy of taxation for fiscal year 2026–2027; to limit the disbursements by the county treasurer to those appropriated by law; to provide that expenditures not exceed appropriations; to authorize tax anticipation notes; to make authorization of certain transfers; to provide for additional appropriations and borrowing; to codify Jasper

County rates and fees; to provide for lapsing funds and continuing appropriations for subsequent years; to require certain agencies and departments to file accountings; to require the treasurer to sign general fund checks; to provide special rules for travel and training disbursements; to provide for travel reimbursements; to provide compliance with act no. 317 of 1990; to provide certain benefits to council members; to provide for county commission and committee stipends; to provide for jury mileage; to adopt property values; and to provide for effective date of this ordinance, and matters related thereto. *(1st reading 05.18.2026 by Title Only; 2nd reading 06.01.2026)*

D) **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of the **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-19** to Provide for the Issuance and Sale of not Exceeding Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) Aggregate Principal Amount of General Obligation Bonds of Jasper County, South Carolina in one or more series, to Prescribe the Purposes for which the Proceeds Shall Be Expended, to Provide for the Payment Thereof, and to Provide for Other Matters Related Thereto.*(1st Reading 06.01.2026)*

E) **Lisa Wagner** - Consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2025-33** to Amend Jasper County Zoning Ordinance, Article 5, *Zoning District Regulations*, To Add One (1) New Primary Zoning District, Village Commercial (VC), one (1) New Overlay District, Euhaw Overlay District (EOD); Amend Article 6, *Use Regulations*, To Add Uses For The VC Zoning District; Amend Article 7, *Primary Districts*, To Add Lot Size, Lot Width, And Setback Requirements For VC Zoning District, Amend Minimum Lot Width Requirements In Other Zoning Districts, And Amend Riparian Buffer Requirements; Amend Article 8, *Special Purpose Districts*, To Add A New Section, Article 8:9 Euhaw Overlay District, Which Includes Design Standards And Requirements For The Euhaw Overlay District (EOD); Amend Article 11, *Conditional Use Review And Regulations*, To Add Conditions For Certain Uses; Amend Article 15, *Sign Regulations* To Add Standards For The VC Zoning District; Amend The Jasper County Official Zoning Map To Re-Zone Some Properties Within The Euhaw Broad River Planning Area To The Rural Preservation-Zoning District, The Residential Zoning District And The Village Commercial Zoning District; And Other Matters Related Thereto.
(1st Reading 07.15.2024; Public Hearing 09.19.2024 and 05.05.2025; 2nd Reading Tabled 11.03.2025; and 2nd Reading 04.20.2026)

F) **Hunter Smiley** – **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-20** to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property located along Hoota Woods Plantation Road, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 052-00-10-013 consisting of 312.43 acres from the Residential Zone and Rural Preservation Zone to the Rural Preservation Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.*(1st Reading 06.01.2026)*

G) **Eric Larson** - **Public Hearing** and Consideration of **2nd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2026-15** authorizing the execution and delivery of a Special Source Revenue Credit Agreement by and between Jasper County, South Carolina and Daly Organics LLC, a company also known as Project Heat, with respect to certain economic development property in the County, whereby such property will receive Special Source Revenue Credits; and other matters related thereto. *(1st Reading 03.16.2026)*

H) **Jim Iwanicki** - Consideration of approval of M.B. Kahn work authorization for upfit of 112 Weathersbee Street not to exceed \$355,700 and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all necessary documents related to the project.

10. Administrator's Report:

11. Councilmember Comments and Discussion

12. Adjournment:

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