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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg.
358 3rd Avenue, Ridgeland, SC 29936

Monday, May 5, 2025

Minutes

Officials Present: Chairman John Kemp, Vice Chairman Joey Rowell, Councilman Chris VanGeison and Councilman Joe Arzillo

Staff Present: County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda Giles, County Attorney David Tedder, Kimberly Burgess, Lisa Wagner, Jim Iwanicki, Chief Russell Wells, and Videographer Jonathan Dunham.

1. Call to Order of the Jasper County Council Workshop by Chairman Kemp.

The Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act was read as follows: 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.

- Jasper County Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Mr. Chris Chockley, Ms. Nicole Whiteside and Ms. Catherine Amadon were introduced from the Bolton & Menk Group, and they gave a project introduction. They reviewed Project Phases One thru Four and the Strategic Kickoff. They covered the topics of Inventory, Needs Assessment, Engagement, Survey Results, Goals for Implementation. They reviewed where the County is today noting that the Existing boat landings are heavily used but in need of attention; (2) Underutilized and underinvested community centers and parks; (3) Limited programming impact due to small team; and noted the (4) Opportunity for P&R to engage with adjacent initiatives. After this part of the review, they provided recommendations for the Boat Landings, Parks and Community Centers, Traditional Youth Sports. They discussed these options with the Jasper County Council and provided a wealth of information. For more information on this item please see the Presentation Copy as "Attachment A". Also, for further information please go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA.

Adjourn workshop.

The workshop adjourned into the Council Meeting.

6:00 PM – Meeting:

1. Call the Meeting to Order by Chairman Kemp.

Chairman Kemp called the meeting to order. The Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act was read as follows: 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:

The Pledge to the Flag was given and the Invocation was given by Councilman Rowell.

3. Approval of the Regular Agenda:

Chairman Kemp noted that he would like to amend the regular agenda to add to Executive Session Item # 2 Baske vs Jasper County.

Motion to approve the regular agenda with amended information for the executive session: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

PRESENTATION

3. Michael Bell BJWSA Board Member, Chairman of the BJWSA Under Served Committee

Chairman Kemp introduced Mr. Michael Bell of the BJWSA Board Member, Chairman of the BJWSA Under Served Committee. Mr. Bell thanked Chairman Kemp for inviting him to speak. He noted that he had been a long-time member of the BJWSA and had served as the Chairman on numerous occasions. He provided some background information on the BJWSA and mentioned that the BJWSA had been around since 1954. He noted that it had started out as just a water entity as a nonprofit public designed to provide water for the area. In 1969 they expanded to provide sewer collection and disposal. In 1971 Jasper County Water and Sewer Authority was created. In 1983 they merged with Beaufort and became the Beaufort Jasper Water Sewer Authority. They have 11 members, and four members represent Jasper County, Hardeeville and Ridgeland. He noted that he had been invited to come to the council meeting to discuss a committee they call the Ad Hoc on underserved and the committee was started in 2022 with the idea that some of their 67,000 who drink their water and only 48,000 of them have sewers. He noted that this was about 19,000 that are without the ability to have sewer in their area and are primarily on septic systems.

He noted that septic tanks work good in good soil, but not so well in areas where you have marshes, a high-water table, or when they are not maintained. He noted that DHEC recommends maintaining the septic system every 3 years. He noted that septic systems are an issue when the drain field is wet. He provided some handouts for Council and showed some photos of situations where a yard was covered with water, and they were on a septic system. In 2021 they started to take the lead to begin to work and find pockets in this area where septic tanks are failing and see what they could do because they recognized that not everyone can afford to maintain those systems, so they don't. When this happens, those systems become contaminated and leak into the soil, and the marsh and the leaks cause issues. He said the committee met as an Ad Hoc Committee and formed a partnership and created a recommendation for the full board. He said the full board

bought in to what they were suggesting which was the Authority take the lead, collaborate support and advocate for underperforming well and septic systems. They then recommended and the board approved that they create a Governmental Affairs and Strategic Planning Position. That position would be charged with coordinating and working with outside stakeholder groups and identify and secure funding. Then they created a Conceptual Policy to provide to those communities that they referenced. Then they were tasked with developing a Pilot Project to support this committee and this recommendation which was adopted. He showed some of the properties on the screen and the issues they were facing. He introduced the Levy Area Representative Ms. Bond to the Council.

Mr. Lee brought Mr. Charlie Stone, Director of Governmental Affairs, to the BJWSA up to the podium. He noted that he had been with BJWSA for 15 months now and that he had the good fortune of working on this underserved initiative. He discussed how they were working with this situation and the initiative and noted they are focusing on water and sewer needs. He noted that their Pilot project was tasked to figure out how to improve those areas in need. He noted that they are focused on addressing public health issues and prioritizing the environment. He discussed the Beaufort Alljoy Community Project, the old Bailey's Project and the Levy Project they are working on with Heather Rath. He discussed some of the projects that they are working on. He noted that their job was to bring the obstacles of entry down for the residents and connect as many people as possible.

Chairman Kemp recognized Bill Fishburne with the Town of Ridgeland; Sheriff Malphrus and Mayor Harry Williams of the City of Hardeeville.

PUBLIC HEARING ONLY

4. **Public Hearing Only** to receive comments on an Ordinance to amend Jasper County Zoning Ordinance, Article 5, *Zoning District Regulations*, to add two (2) new primary zoning districts; Rural Preservation – 10 (RP10) and Village Commercial (VC), one (1) new overlay district, Euhaw Overlay District (EOD); amend Article 6, *Use Regulations*, to add uses for the RP-10 and VC zoning districts; amend Article 7, *Primary Districts*, to add lot size, lot width, and setback requirements for RP-10 and VC zoning districts, 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 RP-10 and VC zoning districts; amend Article 22, *Rural Small Lot Subdivision Standards*, to provide alternative standards for subdivisions of family owned lands; and amend the Jasper County Official Zoning Map to re-zone some properties within the Euhaw Broad River Planning Area to the Rural Preservation - 10 Zoning District and the Village Commercial Zoning District.

Ms. Wagner was present to discuss this request. She noted that a workshop was held on October 21st, at the City Council meeting and she discussed Jasper's Journey. In 2023 she noted that Jasper County had hired a consultant to work with them. She also noted that a temporary moratorium had been enacted. She noted that staff had prepared zoning text amendments that would assist the Growth Management Plan.

The public hearing was opened, and the following speakers spoke on this matter:

Kate Schaefer discussed thoughtful planning and RP10 and the Euhaw Overlay District.

Ashley Rhoes discussed the Euhaw Overlay District and provided her thoughts on this project.

Wayne Gallahan discussed the Tax Sale.

Cathy Malphrus discussed her views on this item and the family's heritage on the property.

Smittie Cooler discussed Euhaw Overlay District and how to preserve it.

An unnamed resident thanked them for protecting the Euhaw District and the conservation of the Port Royal Sound Watershed.

Patrica Hicks-Dupont discussed annexation and her thoughts on the subject,

There were no other comments, so the public hearing was closed.

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 6:00PM start time on the Sign-In Sheet on the Podium), to address 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.

Reverend Galloway thanked Chairman Kemp for doing a wonderful job and noted he appreciated what he was doing. He also discussed the loss of land due to property taxes.

PROCLAMATION:

6. [Vice Chairman Rowell](#) – 100th Year Birthday Proclamation for Rosa Boyles.

Vice Chairman Rowell read and presented the 100th Year Birthday Proclamation for Rosa Boyles to her grand daughter Amanda in Ms. Boyles absence.

RESOLUTIONS

7. [Andrew Fulghum](#) – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2025-33](#) Authorizing the County Administrator to Execute an Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Affordable Housing.

Mr. Fulghum was present to review, address and discuss the request for consideration of Resolution #R-2025-33 Authorizing the County Administrator to Execute an Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Affordable Housing.

Motion to approve: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

8. [Kimberly Burgess](#) – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2025-34](#) to Declare Certain Sheriff Office Property to be Surplus and Authorize its Disposal and Disposition Pursuant to Section 2-425 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances.

Ms. Burgess was present to review, address and discuss the request for the consideration of Resolution #R-2025-34 to Declare Certain Sheriff Office Property to be Surplus and Authorize its Disposal and Disposition Pursuant to Section 2-425 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances.

Motion to approve: Councilman VanGeison

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS

9. David Tedder – Public Hearing and consideration of the **3rd Reading** of Ordinance **#O-2025-11** to amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances by repealing Chapter 28, *Utilities*, Articles II through IV in their entirety and replacing them with a new Article II. (*1st reading 04.07.2025; 2nd reading 04.21.2025*)

Mr. Tedder was present to review, address and discuss the request for the consideration of the 3rd Reading of Ordinance #O-2025-11 to amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances by repealing Chapter 28, *Utilities*, Articles II through IV in their entirety and replacing them with a new Article II. The public hearing was opened but there were no comments, and the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

10. Lisa Wagner – Consideration of 1st Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25 – Article III, *Naming and Addressing of Roads*, Section 123 *Definitions*, Section 126 *New Road Names*, and Section 127 *Renaming Roads* so as to make minor revisions for clarification purposes and to provide consistency with state law.

Ms. Wagner was present to review, address and discuss the request for the consideration of the 1st Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25 – Article III, *Naming and Addressing of Roads*, Section 123 *Definitions*, Section 126 *New Road Names*, and Section 127 *Renaming Roads* so as to make minor revisions for clarification purposes and to provide consistency with state law.

Ms. Wagner noted that the intent of this Ordinance is to amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25, Article III, Section 123 (Definitions), Section 126 (New Road Names), and Section 127 (Renaming Roads). The purpose of this amendment is to provide clarity and consistency with the state law as it relates to the naming of roads. She noted that Title 6, Chapter 29, Section 1200 of the SC Code of Laws delegates road naming authority to the local Planning Commission. In accordance with the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, the address program administrator is responsible for the interpretation and administration of Jasper County's Naming and Addressing of Roads Ordinance since they are the personnel that keeps inventory of the road names and addressing data.

The specific changes are very minor in nature and were outlined as follows:

- Section 123 – Definitions: This section includes adding language to the definition of “Concurrence” to make clear that the Planning Commission only concurs if they fail to take action after two meetings once the road name petition has been submitted to them for review. Language is added to “County Roads,” which makes

reference to the revised Master List of County Roads dated February 2017. The definition of “Private Roads,” includes replacing the clerk of courts office with the office of register of deeds.

- **Section 126 – New Road Names:** This section restructures the first sentence in paragraph #8, under Section 25-126 to remove “mobile home roads” and the requirement for three (3) homes to be located on the new road. New roads in subdivisions or Chapter 25 – Article III Naming and Addressing of Road 2 of 2 developments should be named prior to any structures being built or accessed by a new road.

- **Section 127 – Renaming Roads:** This section changes the method of initiating road name changes from three methods to four methods to include the address program administrator. Language is added to public notice requirements to include notice to be posted on the county’s website or social media page when a road name change is requested. The last paragraph in Section 25-127, replaces the office of the register of mesne conveyance or clerk of court with the office of the register of deeds.

Ms. Wagner mentioned that the Planning Commission reviewed this ordinance amendment at their April 15, 2025, Meeting and recommends approval of the proposed amendment as outlined in the Ordinance.

Motion to approve: Councilman VanGeison

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

11. Kimberly Burgess - Consideration of approval of the quotation provided by Johnson-Laux Construction (SC) for the renovation of Levy Community Center not to exceed \$210,000 and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all necessary documents related to the execution of the contract.

Ms. Burgess was present to review, address and discuss the request for the consideration of approval of the quotation provided by Johnson-Laux Construction (SC) for the renovation of Levy Community Center not to exceed \$210,000 and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all necessary documents related to the execution of the contract. She noted that staff recommends approval of this request. The co-operative bid purchasing agreement was discussed, along with other information.

Motion to table till the next meeting: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

12. Kimberly Burgess – Consideration of proposal recommendation for armed security services for the Jasper County Judicial Building, 967 W. Adams Street, Ridgeland, South Carolina and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all documents necessary to obtain the services.

Ms. Burgess was present to review, address and discuss the request for consideration of proposal recommendation for armed security services for the Jasper County Judicial Building, 967 W. Adams Street, Ridgeland, South Carolina and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute all documents necessary to obtain the services. She noted that this request was for armed security for Judicial Building for Judge Lee. Ms. Burgess noted that Jasper County advertised for sealed proposals for armed security services at the Jasper County Judicial Building, 967 W. Adams Street, Ridgeland, SC. Proposals were due at 3 PM on April 9, 2025. She mentioned that the County received three proposals and the committee consisting of Chief

Magistrate Lee, Judge Badgett, and Kimberly Burgess, Director of Administrative Services, reviewed the proposals. She said that Judge Lee and Director Burgess interviewed two of the three proposers. The committee determined that while both proposers had excellent credentials and a similar approach to the provision of security services, Noble Shields Private Security personnel have experience providing security to the Judicial Building.

She noted that staff requested that the Council accept and approve the proposal offered by Noble Shields Private Security to provide armed security services at the Jasper County Judicial Building on 967 W. Adams Street, Ridgeland, SC and to authorize the County Administrator or his designee to execute the necessary documents to execute the contract.

Motion to approve: Councilman Arzillo

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

13. [Kimberly Burgess](#) – Consideration of the [1st Reading](#) of an ordinance of Jasper County Council to Amend Jasper County Ordinance No. O-2024-13 For Fiscal Year 2025 Jasper County Budget to Provide for Amendments to the Budget; And to Provide for Effective Date of this Ordinance.

Ms. Burgess was present to review, address and discuss the request for consideration of the 1st Reading of an ordinance of Jasper County Council to Amend Jasper County Ordinance No. O-2024-13 For Fiscal Year 2025 Jasper County Budget to Provide for Amendments to the Budget; And to Provide for Effective Date of this Ordinance. Ms. Burgess noted that this budget amendment was for the FY2024-2025 budget and amends the original ordinance # O-2024-12 approved on June 3, 2024. She noted that there had been an increase of \$2,989,000.00 in both the revenues and expenditures. She reviewed some of the amendments to the different revenue and expenditure line items and explained how that worked. She noted that a lot of the items were amended to actual. She noted that the Airport Officer reimbursement was decreased (line # 57-1609) for the Sheriff Deputy for the Airport since the Deputy was no longer utilized there. She noted that this was accounted for in both the revenues and the expenditures. She discussed transfers in (money coming from another fund) in the amount of 1 million dollars approved by Council on Resolution # R-2024-36 noting that this money came in from the Economic Development Fund and was paid out to Technical College of the Lowcountry (TCL). She mentioned some other items included such as the cash carry forward, the two storms which incurred disaster expenses that were unbudgeted, the Detention Center Fire expenses that were not budgeted, additional funds requested by the Solicitor, repairs to the Levy Fire Station, architectural fees to the Coosawhatchie Fire Station, and other items. Council gave their view on what they would like to see on information such as this and for the upcoming readings.

Motion to approve: Councilman Arzillo

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: There were 3 yes votes and 1 no vote by Chairman Kemp.

The motion passed.

14. [Wanda Giles](#) – Consideration of an update to the 2025 County Council Regular Meeting Schedule.

Ms. Giles was present to review, address and discuss the request for consideration of an update to the 2025 County Council Regular Meeting Schedule. Ms. Giles noted that she had attached a copy of the draft of the

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revised 2025 County Council Meeting Calendar in the agenda e-packet that was being submitted for Council's approval. She noted that during the month of June, a second meeting would be held on Monday, June 16, 2025, and during the month of December, a second meeting would be held on Monday, December 15, 2025. Staff recommended approval of the Revised 2025 County Council Meeting Calendar. There was no motion made on this item, but all Councilmembers unanimously approved this item.

15. Administrator's Report: Mr. Fulghum reviewed the information from his report. There were no Action Items requiring a vote from the Council in the Administrator's Report

16. Approval of the Minutes 03.17.2025

Motion to approve: Councilman Arzillo

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

17. Councilmember Comments and Discussion: Councilmember Comments were given but there were no comments that required action.

18. 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 – [Tax Map # 063-24-01-003; Animal Shelter Lease; Airport Leases; Baske vs Jasper County](#)

(5) Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by a public body – [Project Quartz; Cypress Ridge Property - 719 Holdings LLC](#)

Motion to go into Executive Session: Councilman Rowell

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTER ON WHICH DISCUSSION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED MAY HAVE DISCUSSION SUSPENDED FOR PURPOSES 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. PLEASE BE ADVISED THERE MAY BE VOTES BASED ON ITEMS FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Return to Open Session:

Council returned from executive session and returned to regular session. There was no action that came out of executive session.

19. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Arzillo

Second: Councilman VanGeison

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

For more information on this meeting please go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA .

Respectfully submitted:

Wanda H. Giles
Clerk to Council

John A. Kemp
Chairman

Jasper County Parks & Recreation Master Plan

May 5th, 2025 Public Presentation



Jasper
County
South Carolina





Introductions

The Project
The People

Project Phases





Inventory



Jasper County Facilities Conditions Assessment Report



Sergeant Jasper County Park Activity Center & Banquet Hall

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Age of Component or System | Functionality of Component or System | Expected Service Life | Visual Survey of Condition

RATING SCALE

1	2	3	4	5
CRITICAL	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
score 1 of 5/ 20%	score 2 of 5/ 40%	score 3 of 5/ 60%	score 4 of 5/ 80%	score 5 of 5/ 100%
Critical Condition Extremely poor. Damaged or inoperable. Replacement or repairs within 1 year.	Poor Condition Major issues are evident. Repairing the end of its life. Repair or replace within 1-3 years, as funds are available.	Average Condition Fair wear and tear. Minor or repair, moderate repair for its age. Replace in 3-5 years, as funds are available.	Average Condition No major issues or repairs. No major repairs or repairs in 3-5 years, as funds are available.	Excellent Condition No issues or repairs. The structure is in excellent condition. Replacement in 5 years.

Decaying floor boards
needs to be replaced...

Roofing	1	No visible damage or defects with building superstructure observed.
Roof	2	No leaks observed, cleaning recommended to avoid unwanted growth.
Flashings & G	3	No cracks, settlement or water infiltration observed.
Windows	4	No leaks observed.
Porch & Deck	5	Paintwork in 2023, has no visible defects. Gutters need regular maintenance & clean out of leaves & debris.
Porch & Deck Floor	1	Window needs from minor cracks and splitting, no visible failure. Original windows, no signs of failure yet. Porch rust, buff, screens and doors are in great condition. Decaying floor boards need to be replaced with water resistant material. Stairs & ramps are in need of an anti-slip surface solution.

Sergeant Jasper County Park Activity Center & Banquet Hall

Building Interior		
Flooring	4	Flooring throughout is in great shape. Wear and tear is minimal.
Ceilings	5	No cracking or other issues observed.
Doors	3	All doors function properly and have no visible leaks or defects. All exterior doors need ADA compliant threshold transitions.
Windows & Screens	4	No leaks or other issues observed.
Kitchen	4	Normal wear & tear, no issues exist.
Restrooms	4	All fixtures are well maintained and plumbing fixtures function properly.
Health, Safety, Security & Building Code		
Fire Protection - Smoke	4	Smoke detectors are at the end of each room and are in good working order.
Fire Protection - Extinguishers	4	Smoke detectors are at the end of each room and are in good working order.
Fire Protection - Knox Box	1	Smoke detectors are at the end of each room and are in good working order.
Security - Surveillance	5	Surveillance system is in place.
Site & Surroundings		
Parking Lot/Asphalt	5	Good condition with ADA parking spaces and emergency routes.
Sidewalks	4	Concrete sidewalks are in good condition. ADA transitions are needed where they transition to the wood walkways.
Landscaping	5	Landscaping is well maintained for sufficient sight lines and security.
Water Drainage	4	Water drains away from building sufficiently.
Wooden Walkways & Rails	1	Wood boards and guardrails get wet and are rotting significantly. Recommend water resistant replacement.
Gazebos	4	Good condition with no visible defects.

Functioning surveillance
system in place.

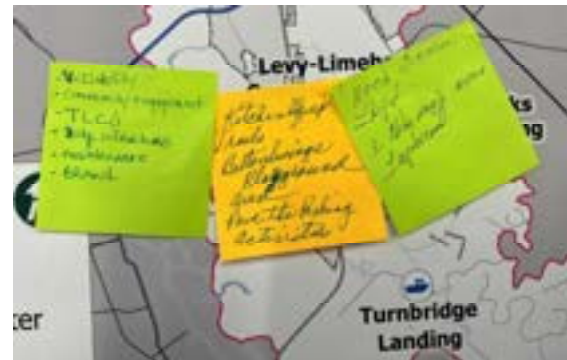
Needs Assessment



JASPER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN

FOCUS GROUP QUESTIONS:

1. What are the **strengths** of Jasper County Parks and Recreation? What makes specific amenities great and who is utilizing them? What does Jasper have that makes living here wonderful? What needs to be protected in your eyes to maintain the way of life here?



Engagement



Survey Results



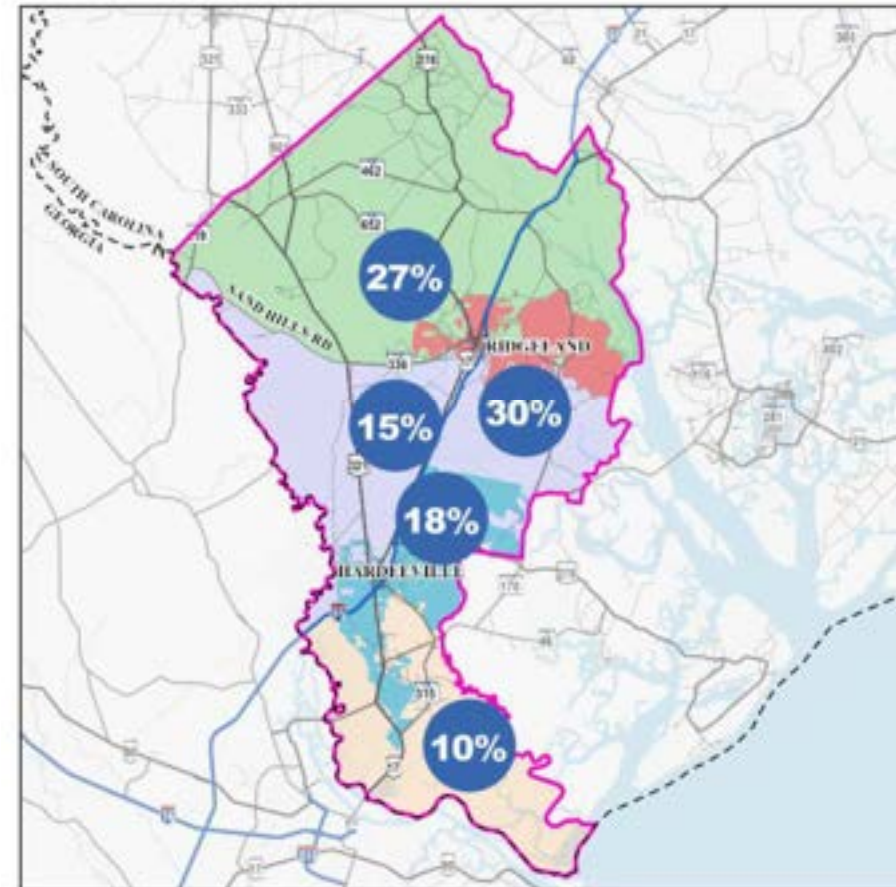
HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN JASPER COUNTY?

176 Total Responses



WHERE DO YOU LIVE IN JASPER COUNTY?

176 Total Responses



Survey Results

WHAT KEEPS YOU FROM VISITING ANY JASPER COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION FACILITIES MORE OFTEN?

211 Total Responses



1st (30%)

Facilities not well maintained



2nd (26%)

Not aware of the facilities, programs or locations



3rd (25%)

Facilities feel unsafe



4th (25%)

Facilities lack the amenity I would like access to



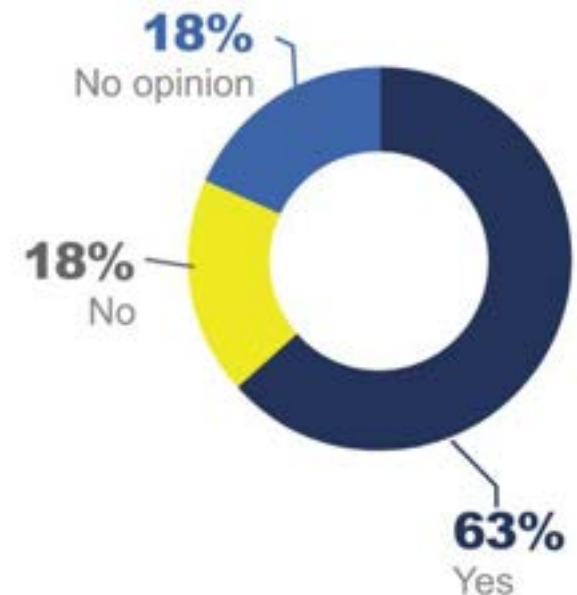
5th (24%)

Facilities are old or outdated

IF IDENTIFIED IMPROVEMENTS EXCEED THE CURRENT PARK FUNDING BUDGET, WOULD YOU SUPPORT THE COUNTY USING A PARK BOND FOR DEVELOPMENT, RENOVATION, AND OPERATION OF PARKS?

131 Total Responses

Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding



Survey Results

RATE YOUR SUPPORT ON IMPROVING THE FOLLOWING AMENITIES ON A SCALE FROM 1-5 WITH 1 BEING "NOT SUPPORTIVE", 3 BEING "NEUTRAL", AND 5 BEING "VERY SUPPORTIVE."

148 Total Responses

Top rated amenities/facilities



1st (4.50)



2nd (4.47)



3rd (4.38)



4th (4.35)



5th (4.33 – tie)

Goals for Implementation



Goal 1: Structure Organization and Operations to Enhance and Grow Department

Goal 2: Develop and Establish Programs and Services

Goal 3: Improve and Maintain Facilities and Park Amenities

Goal 4: Improve and expand fiscal sustainability of the Department

A small green seedling with two leaves growing out of dark soil. The seedling is positioned on the left side of the frame, with its stem and leaves clearly visible against the dark, textured background of the soil. The leaves are a vibrant green color, and the soil is a deep, dark brown.

**This is Just the
Beginning**

What Next?

Here is where you are:

- Existing boat landings heavily used but in need of attention
- Underutilized and underinvested community centers and parks
- Limited programming impact due to small team
- Opportunity for P&R to engage with adjacent initiatives (Pennies tax – 20% for greenbelt preservation, BRIC stormwater master plan, Salkehatchie watershed plan through SCOR, and more!)



What Next?



Recommendations #1 – Boat Landings

- Boat landings are unique to Jasper County.
- Provides Access to Nature and Water Recreation
- Conveyance of properties for full county ownership of landings to allow for proper maintenance and upkeep
- Invest in the required maintenance and fix what you already have for all landings
- Acquire Becks and New River Landings

What Next?



Recommendation #2 – Parks and Community Centers

- Upon addressing boat landings and the necessary land conveyance, repairs and maintenance, focus on updating and enhancing the existing parks and community centers throughout the county.

Recommendation #3 – Traditional Youth Sports

- Consider enhancing facility and programming opportunities for traditional youth sports including baseball, basketball, football and soccer.





Thank you

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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALLED WORKSHOP
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○ **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda: Councilman VanGeison

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

○ **FY2026 Budget**

Mr. Fulghum provided a recap of a few additional workshops that were planned. He passed out a copy of the 2020 Clemson Study Impact Analysis Report (which was a follow up to the 2006 Clemson Study). He also noted that this was a unique budget this year and discussed the reasons why it was unique to Jasper County. He then passed out the current schedule of council workshops. He noted that there was the workshop today and a one-hour workshop that was planned on 5/19 on the budget. He noted that they were planning to bring a budget to them on May 19th. He mentioned that proposers for funding requests, from the appointed Committee of Councilman Rowell and Councilman Arzillo Would be presented so Council could decide when and how they wanted to meet with the presenters.

Ms. Burgess Passed out the spreadsheet to council on what the presenters were requesting as well as what they have received last year from Jasper County. Mr. Fulghum reviewed where they currently were on the budget and talked about reallocation of the millage rates. He noted that Mr. Lawrence Flynn was there to discuss the allocation of the millage with Council. It was also noted that council had a number of Newly Appointed Constitutional Elected Officials that they may want to bring in and go over the request that they were making for the budget. Chairman Kemp noted that on the upcoming workshop listing that several of the topics needed to be postponed until the budget was finished.

Ms. Burgess noted that they had received all the Departments requests and noted that this was the 4th column over from the right under 2026 Department Requests. Ms. Burgess discussed the current value of a mill and the value of the mill from last year. She discussed the upcoming Fiscal Year in regard to both revenues and expenditures. She reviewed the information for the FY2025/2026 budget year and discussed the financial aspects of the budget.

Mr. Lawrence Flynn of the Pope Flynn Group discussed his presentation (Attachment "A") with Council covering the Bonds, Tax Millage and Plan of Finance. He discussed and reviewed the topics of:

- Revenue Debt
- General Obligation Debt
- Limitations on Property Taxes under Act 388 (S.C. Code 6-1-320)
- Debt Service Millage
- The Tax Year 2024 Millage
- Understanding Your Tax Levy
- Outstanding Debt (GO Bonds)
- Outstanding Debt (Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds)
- Sinking Fund Accumulation
- The Operating /Lookback Millage
- The Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Millage Levy
- How to Calculate the Debt Limit
- Suggested Actions for Council: Pay Lease/IPRB obligations from operating tax levy - Issue short-term GOB (maturing in April 2026), - Proceeds used to (i) redeem balance of 2014 IPRB, which is approximately \$1.34mm; and (ii) fund \$5mm of necessary county projects.

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Arzillo

Second: Councilman Rowell

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

For more information on this meeting please go to our YouTube Channel for the video go to https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA .

Respectfully submitted:

Wanda H. Giles
Clerk to Council

John A. Kemp
Chairman

Bonds, Tax Millage and Plan of Finance

Jasper County, South Carolina

May 7, 2025

General Obligation Debt:

- General obligation debt is defined to mean “any indebtedness which shall be secured in whole or in part by a pledge of its full faith, credit and taxing power.”
 - May be issued for any corporate purpose.
 - General obligation bonds are typically used for “brick and mortar” projects, particularly where the project does not produce a stream of revenues to support revenue bonds.
 - General obligation bonds are typically repaid from *ad valorem* property taxes, which are exempt from limitations of Act 388.
 - Unless approved by referendum, all general obligation debt is subject to the County’s debt limit: 8% of assessed value of all taxable property.

Limitations on Property Taxes:

- Act 388 (S.C. Code 6-1-320)
 - Limits ability of local governments to increase operating millage rates to the level of CPI + population growth
 - Allows an additional “three-year lookback” to use millage increases that were allowed but not used in prior years
- Debt Service Millage
 - Imposed to pay debt service on general obligation bonds that have been issued
 - Only imposed up to amount needed to pay annual debt service
 - Inadvisable use such millage to make payments on debt other than general obligation bonds

District's Tax Year 2024 Millage:

Type of Millage	Millage Levy	Estimated Collections*
Operating Millage	138	\$43.75mm
Debt Millage	<u>12</u>	<u>\$ 3.80mm</u>
Total Millage	150	\$47.55mm

* Value of 1 Mill is currently estimated at \$317,000

Understanding Your Tax Levy

- \$100,000 Market Value / Capped Value of a Home
 - Constitutionally assessed at either 4% or 6% of appraised value
 - Assessed Value is either \$4,000 or \$6,000
 - Millage Rate – amount of taxes levied per thousand dollars of assessed value
 - 1 mil in this example equals either \$4 or \$6
 - 138 mils equals either \$552 or \$828
 - 150 mils equals either \$600 or \$900

Outstanding Debt

GO Bonds

- \$5,415,000 GOB, Series 2021 (Courthouse/Airport) [Recently Redeemed]
- \$1,308,200 GOB, Series 2023 (Marsh Cove Fire Station)

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 345,000	\$ 238,787	\$ 583,787
2026	180,000	224,987	404,987
2027	109,906	217,787	327,693
2028	105,953	213,540	319,493
2029	107,036	209,457	316,493
2030-2034	607,805	908,360	1,516,165
2035-2039	1,836,177	500,513	2,336,690
2040-2044	2,265,811	216,372	2,482,183
2045-2049	297,885	80,580	378,465
2050-2053	277,627	25,145	302,772
Total	<u>\$ 6,133,200</u>	<u>\$ 2,835,528</u>	<u>\$ 8,968,728</u>



Outstanding Debt

Installment Purchase Revenue Bonds

- \$5,540,000 IPRB, Series 2021A/B
- \$2,255,000 IPRB, Series 2014 (Equipment) [Planned for Redemption]
- \$5,000,000 IPRB, Series 2022 (Airport)
- \$8,290,000 IPRB, Series 2017

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2025	\$ 1,114,834	\$ 492,485	\$ 1,607,319
2026	1,010,834	449,886	1,460,720
2027	882,013	413,306	1,295,319
2028	918,378	381,991	1,300,369
2029	949,934	349,385	1,299,319
2030-2034	5,058,295	1,191,739	6,250,034
2035-2039	2,890,000	272,074	3,162,074
Total	<u>\$ 12,824,288</u>	<u>\$ 3,550,866</u>	<u>\$ 16,375,154</u>

Sinking Fund Accumulation:

Aggregate Debt Service - GOBs and IPRBs

<u>FY*</u>		<u>GOBs**</u>	<u>GOB Millage</u>	<u>IPRBs***</u>	<u>IPRB Millage</u>	<u>Total Millage</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Annual Levy****</u>	<u>Balance</u>
2026	\$	405,000	1.31	\$ 1,461,000	4.71	6.02	\$ 1,866,000	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 1,934,000
2027	\$	328,000	1.06	\$ 1,295,000	4.18	5.24	\$ 1,623,000	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 2,177,000
2028	\$	319,000	1.03	\$ 1,300,000	4.19	5.22	\$ 1,619,000	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 2,181,000
2029	\$	316,000	1.02	\$ 1,299,000	4.19	5.21	\$ 1,615,000	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 2,185,000

* Only showing 4 years

** GOB, Series 2021 recently redeemed from sinking fund balance

*** 2014 IPRB to be redeemed from sinking fund balance

**** 12 Mils @ \$317,000



Sinking Fund Accumulation:

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,	GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS	LESS: AMOUNTS AVAILABLE IN DEBT SERVICE FUNDS
2015	\$ 4,611,277	\$ 768,263
2016	5,117,851	1,043,165
2017	5,338,862	1,526,975
2018	5,632,431	1,754,785
2019	5,602,431	2,196,091
2020	6,744,811	2,704,529
2021	6,570,200	3,872,008
2022	6,592,380	4,616,469
2023	6,428,200	5,498,018
2024	6,133,200	6,994,696

Current balance: **\$4,696,702**, which incorporates redemption of 2021 GOBs.

Operating/Lookback Millage:

Jasper County, SC - Millage Calculator

<i>Tax Year</i>	<i>Millage Rate</i>	<i>Millage Rate Increase</i>	<i>CPI</i>	<i>% Population Growth</i>	<i>Allowable Annual Percentage Increase of Millage Rate</i>	<i>Maximum Millage</i>	<i>Millage Available</i>
TY 22-23	140.00	0.00	4.70%	4.30%	9.00%		
TY 23-24	140.00	0.00	8.00%	5.20%	13.20%		
TY 24-25	138.00	-2.00	4.12%	4.87%	8.99%		
TY 25-26	0.00	0.00	2.95%	5.87%	8.82%	203.95	65.95



Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Millage Levy:

Type of Millage	FY 2025 Millage	FY 2026 Millage*
Debt Service Millage (GO Bonds)	1.4	5.0
Debt Service Millage (IPRB)	4.8	-
Debt Service Millage (Excess)	5.8	
Total Operating Millage	12.0	5.0
Standard O&M Operating Millage	138.0	138.0
IPRB/Excess Operating Millage	-	7.0
Total Operating Millage	138.0	145.0
TOTAL MILLAGE	150.0	150.0

* Assumes a new GOB, Series 2025 (~\$6.5mm)

Debt Limit – How to Calculate:

Fiscal Year	Tax Year	Total AV*
23-2024	2024	\$291,958,348

$\$291,958,348 \times 0.08 = \$23,356,668$ of Debt
Limit

\$1,308,200 in GO Bonds are outstanding, thus
\$22,048,468 of capacity remains

Suggested Actions

- Pay Lease/IPRB obligations from operating tax levy
- Issue short-term GOB (maturing in April 2026), Series 2025 to wash out balance of sinking fund (\$4.7mm), and maintain some debt service levy (5 mills)
- Proceeds used to (i) redeem balance of 2014 IPRB, which is approximately \$1.34mm; and (ii) fund \$5mm of necessary county projects



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County Council

Staff Report

Meeting Date:	August 18, 2025
Project:	Ordinance to amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances - Chapter 25, Article III, <i>Naming and Addressing of Roads</i> , Section 123 <i>Definition, (1) County Road and (2) Private Road</i>
Submitted For:	3 rd Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission recommends approval

Description: The purpose of this Ordinance is to correct a scrivener's error. On June 2, 2025, the Council approved 3rd Reading of an Ordinance (O-2025-12) to amend Chapter 25 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Article III, *Naming and Addressing of Roads*. Staff discovered that two minor errors were made when Ordinance 2025-12 was originally drafted.

Specifically, under Definitions, the definition of *County Road* was erroneously copied from an older version of the Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance, and a portion of the last sentence under *Private Road*, was inadvertently omitted.

While this Ordinance will make changes to correct a scrivener's error, it does not make any changes to the purpose and intent of the original amendment to the Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance that was approved by Council on June 2, 2025.

Analysis: Prior to the most recent amendment (June 2, 2025) to the Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance, **Section 123** under **Definitions**, (1) *County Road* and (2) *Private Road* was defined as:

(1) *County Road*: As defined in Section 25-41 hereinabove.

The Master List of county roads as maintained by the department of public works as set forth in Section 25-41(a)(1) are made part of this article as though copied herein. Any revision to the list or the map also shall be incorporated herein and made a part of this article.

(2) *Private Road*: No road shall be designated as a private road unless:

In a new development, such proposed road is defined as such by action of the county planning commission upon its satisfaction as to the construction and perpetual maintenance

of such road; (see appendix B, including sections 3.10 and 7.3 of appendix B of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances as to perpetual maintenance);

The Ordinance that was presented to County Council defined *County Road* and *Private Road* as:

- (1) *County Road*: Any road currently maintained under the county road maintenance system and any new road to be constructed within the jurisdiction of the county, and dedicated for maintenance to the county, which is in excess of 100 feet in length and accesses, or presupposes to access, two or more parcels of land under different ownership, unless such road is a part of the state, or federal system of highways or by definition, a private road.

The master list of county roads as maintained by the department of public works, and the mapping of said roads compiled by the Lowcountry Council of Governments at the direction of the county and dated June 1, 1998, and the revised Master List of County Roads dated February 2017 are made part of this article as though copied herein. Any revision to the list or the map also shall be incorporated herein and made a part of this article. (This was the definition prior to the 2018 amendment of the Addressing and Road Naming Ordinance and was erroneously copied into the most recent ordinance)

- (2) *Private Road*: No road shall be designated as a private road unless:
In a new development, such proposed road is defined as such by action of the county planning commission upon its satisfaction as to the construction and perpetual maintenance of such road; (reference to appendix B and sections 3.10 and 7.3 listed in the parenthesis was inadvertently omitted)

The proposed ordinance will define *County Road* and *Private Road* as shown on page 1 of this staff report, which is the same definition prior to the adoption of the June 2, 2025 Ordinance (O-2025-12).

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance to ensure that the Road Naming Ordinance is correct, which will also ensure the Ordinance is updated correctly in the County's Code of Ordinances and refiled as such in the Municode.

Attachments:

1. Ordinance

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER
ORDINANCE # O-2025-24**

AN ORDINANCE OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

To amend the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 25 – Article III, *Naming and Addressing of Roads*, Section 123 *Definitions*, (1) County Road and (2) Private Road, so as to correct definitions due to scrivener errors contained in Ordinance Number O-2025-12.

WHEREAS, the purpose and intent of the Road Naming Ordinance is to provide a uniform system of naming all roads within Jasper County; and

WHEREAS, these regulations seek to facilitate the provision of adequate public safety and emergency response service and to minimize difficulty in locating properties and buildings for public service agencies and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council feels the provisions herein prescribed will secure the public safety and deliver the aforementioned public services in a more efficient and effective fashion.

WHEREAS, in furtherance of these purposes and objectives, Jasper County Council recently amended Chapter 25, Article III, *Naming and Addressing of Roads* in Ordinance O-2025-12, but through inadvertence, that Ordinance contained scrivener errors Council desires to correct by adopting the following amendments;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council duly assembled and by the authority of same:

1. Article III of Chapter 25, (*Naming and Addressing of Roads*), Section 25-123, (*Definitions*) of the Code of Ordinances, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 25-123. - Definitions.

- (1) *County road*: As defined in section 25-41 hereinabove. The master of list of county roads as maintained by the department of public works as set forth in section 25-41(a)(1), are made part of this article as though copied herein. Any

revision to the list or the map also shall be incorporated herein and made a part of this article.

(2) *Private road*: No road shall be designated as a private road, unless:

In a new development, such proposed road is defined as such by action of the county planning commission upon its satisfaction as to the construction and perpetual maintenance of such road (see appendix B, including sections 3.10 and 7.3 of appendix B of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances as to perpetual maintenance of such road); or

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

John A. Kemp, Chairman

ATTEST:

Wanda Giles, Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: #**O-2025-24**____
First Reading: July 21, 2025
Second Reading: August 18, 2025
Public hearing: August 18, 2025
Adopted: September 2, 2025

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date



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Jasper County Council Staff Report

Meeting Date:	September 2, 2025
Project:	Zoning Map Amendment – Community Commercial
Applicant:	HH17 Investment, LLC
Tax Map Number:	039-00-01-040 and 039-00-01-041
Submitted For:	3 rd Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission recommends Community Commercial

Description: This is a zoning map amendment request to have two properties designated as Community Commercial. The subject properties consist of 4.90 acres and 4.0 acres and are located along Speedway Boulevard. Both properties are currently split-zoned Residential and Community Commercial. Both properties are vacant undeveloped. The applicant would like to re-zone the properties to allow the properties to be used as commercial although a specific use has not been identified.

Analysis: The Zoning Map Amendment application and request are reviewed by considering the following factors:

- **Comprehensive Plan:** According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Urban Transition,” which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely surrounded by the municipality. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation.
- **Adjacent Zoning:** The adjacent parcels are zoned Community Commercial, Residential, and Rural Preservation. The 4 acre property identified by tax #039-00-01-041 is adjacent to the City of Hardeeville. This portion of Speedway Boulevard is located within the Gateway Corridor Overlay District.
- **Adjacent Land Use:** Adjacent land uses are commercial development, a church, and the former Pin Tail Golf Course.

- ***Traffic and Access:*** The subject properties are accessed by Speedway Boulevard and has frontage along Purrysburg Road. Speedway Boulevard is a four-lane state maintained road classified as a major thoroughfare. Purrysburg Road is both paved and dirt and is maintained by SCDOT, which is a limited local road.

Planning Commission Recommendation: The Planning Commission reviewed this application at their June 10, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting and recommends approval of the request to have both properties designated as Community Commercial.

Attachments:

1. Application and authorization letter
2. Ordinance
3. Aerial map of property and surrounding area
4. Aerial map with zoning layer

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE: O-2025-22

AN ORDINANCE

To amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer two properties located along Speedway Boulevard and Purrysburg Road, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 039-00-01-040 and 039-00-01-041 from the Community Commercial and Residential Zoning District to the Community Commercial Zoning District on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

WHEREAS, the owner of two parcels bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 039-00-01-040 and 039-00-01-041 consisting of approximately 4.90 acres and 4.0 acres, located along Speedway Boulevard and Purrysburg Road, has requested rezoning of both parcels on the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County from the Community Commercial and Residential Zoning District to the Community Commercial Zoning District and that request has been submitted to the Jasper County Planning Commission and County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Planning Commission has concurred with the recommendations of the staff report as reflected in this Ordinance and recommends approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Jasper County Council for determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council in council duly convened and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council finds that in accordance with the staff report and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the proposed zoning is

consistent with the continued pattern of growth in the vicinity and is in harmony with the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan. Good cause having been shown, approximately 4.90 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 039-00-01-040 located along Speedway Boulevard and Purrysburg Road and 4.0 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 039-00-01-041, located along Speedway Boulevard and Purrysburg Road depicted on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map in the Community Commercial and Residential Zoning District shall be transferred to the Community Commercial Zoning District.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

John A. Kemp
Chairman

ATTEST:

Wanda Giles
Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: # O-2025-22

First Reading: July 21, 2025

Second Reading: August 18, 2025

Public Hearing: August 18, 2025

Adopted: September 2, 2025

Considered by the Jasper County Planning Commission at it's meeting on
June 10, 2025 and recommended for approval.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

County Attorney

Date



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Zoning Map Amendment Application

Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant:	Owner: HH17 Investment LLC Authorized Applicants: Adam Bryant & Tom DeMint
Address:	149 Pine View Crossing, Pooler, GA 31322
Telephone:	912-667-2740
Email:	adam.bryant@svn.com
Property Address or Physical Location:	Highway 17 (Speedway Blvd) and Purrysburg Road
Tax Map Number(s)	039-00-01-040 & 039-00-01-041
Gross Acreage:	8.9 acres
Current Zoning	Community Commercial & Residential
Proposed Zoning:	Industrial Development Community Commercial
Administrative Fee: (\$300 per lot) except for PDD applications	
Date Mailed or Hand Delivered:	4/22/2025
Reason for Request: (attach narrative if necessary)	Property presently has (2) zoning classifications bisecting property, which prohibits development. Intent is to rezone to a single use that permits intended use.

Initial
SP

Declassified by:

April 21, 2025

Signature of Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant
 (Proof) of owner-authorization required)

Date

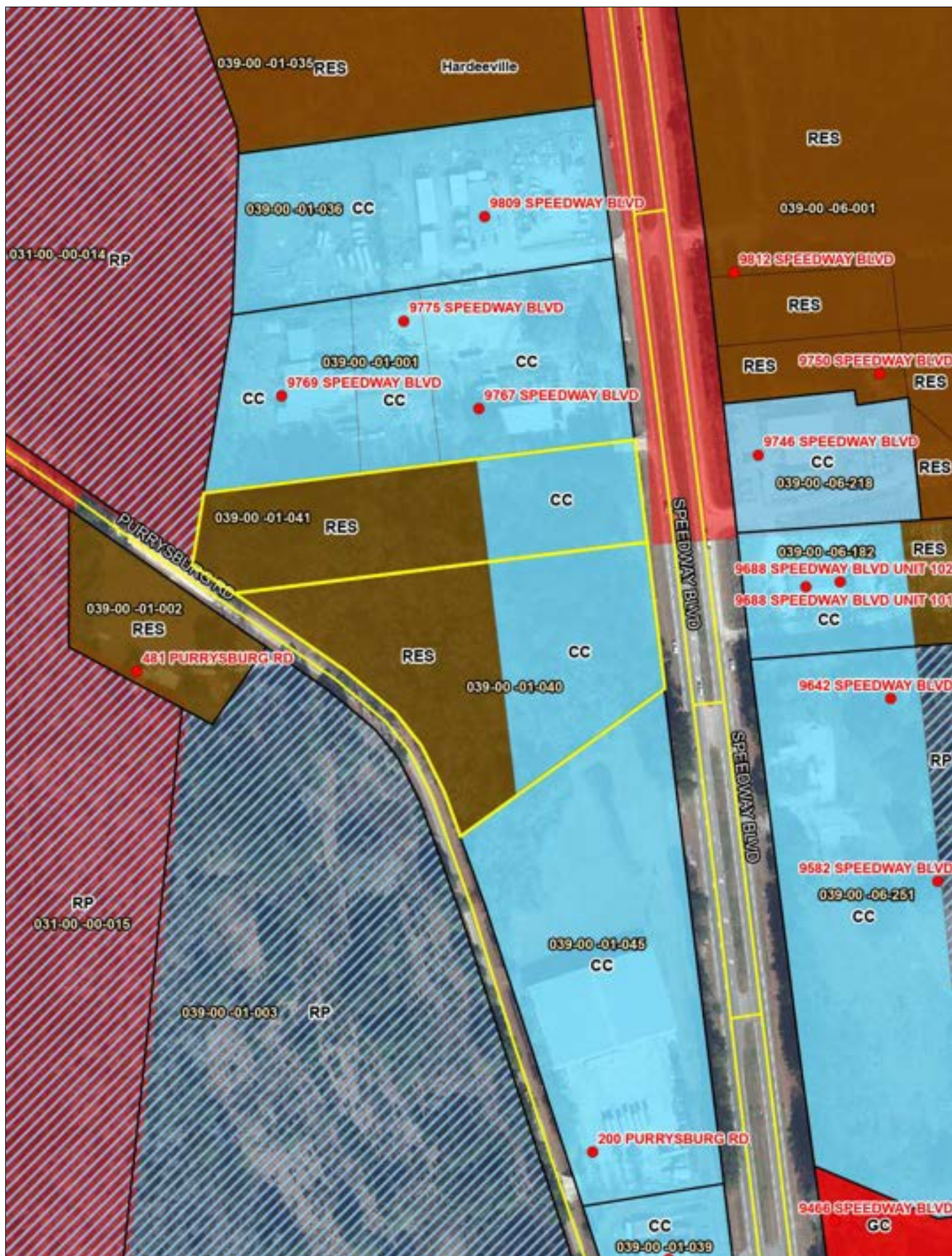
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Revised 6/1/23







**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE #O-2025-26

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

An Ordinance Amending the Business License Ordinance of the County of Jasper to Update the Class Schedule as Required by Act 176 of 2020.

WHEREAS, Jasper County (the “County”) is authorized by S.C. Code Section 5-7-30 and Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 3 to impose a business license tax on gross income;

WHEREAS, by Act No. 176 of 2020, known as the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act and codified at S.C. Code Sections 6-1-400 to -420 (the “Standardization Act”), the South Carolina General Assembly imposed additional requirements and conditions on the administration of business license taxes;

WHEREAS, the Standardization Act requires that by December thirty-first of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina (the “Association”) and adopted by the Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office;

WHEREAS, following the enactment of the Standardization Act, the Municipality enacted Ordinance No. 2021-26 on December 6, 2021, in order to comply with the requirements of the Standardization Act (the “Current Business License Ordinance”);

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Standardization Act, the Municipality enacted Ordinance No. O-2023-19 on December 18, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Council (the “Council”) now wishes to amend the Current Business License Ordinance to adopt the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule, as required by the Standardization Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Jasper County Council, as follows:

SECTION 1. Amendments to Appendix B. Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the “Business License Class Schedule,” is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Classes 1 through 8 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the “Business License Class Schedule,” are hereby amended and restated as set forth on the attached Exhibit A.
- (b) Class 9 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the “Business License Class Schedule,” shall remain in full force and effect as set forth in the Current Business License Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Repeal, Effective Date. All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be effective with respect to the business license year beginning on May 1, 2026.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

John A. Kemp, Chairman

ATTEST:

**Wanda H. Giles
Clerk to Council**

ORDINANCE: O-2025-26

First Reading: 7.21.2025
Second Reading: 8.18.2025
Public Hearing: 8.18.2025
Adopted: 9.2.2025

**Exhibit A: Amendment to Classes 1 – 8 in Appendix B of the
Current Business License Ordinance**

**APPENDIX B
Classes 1 – 8: Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Codes**

NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	Class
11	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	1
21	Mining	3
22	Utilities	1
31 - 33	Manufacturing	3
42	Wholesale trade	1
44 - 45	Retail trade	1
48 - 49	Transportation and warehousing	2
51	Information	4
52	Finance and insurance	7
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	6
54	Professional, scientific, and technical services	4
55	Management of companies	7
56	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	3
61	Educational services	3
62	Health care and social assistance	3
71	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	3
721	Accommodation	1
722	Food services and drinking places	2
81	Other services	3
Class 8	Subclasses	
23	Construction	8.1
482	Rail Transportation	8.2
517111	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	8.3
517112	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	8.3
517122	Agents for Wireless Telecommunications Services	8.3
5241	Insurance Carriers	8.4
5242	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	8.4
713120	Amusement Parks and Arcades	8.51
713290	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	8.52
713990	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries (pool tables)	8.6

2025 Class Schedule is based on a three-year average (2019 - 2021) of IRS statistical data.

AGENDA

ITEM # 20

Administrator's Report



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Administrator's Report September 2, 2025

1. County Council Special Meetings and Workshops:

I will distribute and review the most recent spreadsheet of meetings.

2. I-95 Widening Project:

Reminder – public hearing on Phase II of the widening project to be held on Sept. 11 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Lakeside at Blue Heron in Ridgeland.

3. Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds:

As previously reported, Jasper County must make a subsequent application for use of opioid settlement funds to continue local efforts to educate and address the dangers of opioid misuse and opioid-related incidents in Jasper County.

Ms. Heather Rath of Heather Rath Consulting will provide a summary of past efforts and the proposed use of funding for the future. Ultimately, staff will be requesting a motion from County Council to authorize County staff to apply for funding from the South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund Board (SCORF). Details of that request follow this report.

The County Administrator's Progress Report and any miscellaneous correspondence, agendas, and minutes follow this report.

Staff Report

From: Heather Rath Consulting on behalf of Jasper County

To: Jasper County Council

Date: September 2nd, 2025

Subject: Year Two Funding Request for OD Map Administration – New Life Center

Background

In 2026, Jasper County will begin year two of a **two-year agreement with the New Life Center** to administer **OD Map for the County**, a system designed to track overdoses and track response efforts across multiple agencies in Jasper County. This program strengthens coordination among law enforcement, emergency medical services, healthcare providers, and community-based organizations and is meant to give a real picture of the overdose situation in Jasper County.

While the New Life Center agreement is structured as a two-year contract, **funding is requested and approved annually** through the South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund Board (SCORF).

Funding Request

Jasper County, is requesting the use of **\$62,000** from the Jasper County SCORF allocation to be applied to the **SCORF Board in October 2025**, with funds available beginning **January 2026** to support year two of the New Life Center contract.

Motion & Action Requested

We ask for a motion to direct staff and consultants to apply for \$62,000 in funding to the SCORF Board in October 2025 for year two of the OD Map administration contract with the New Life Center.

Education Consultant Update

The County's contract with the **Education Consultant** has now kicked off. This effort provides critical education and outreach components to complement the overdose mapping program. A detailed update on progress will be provided to Council by **November 2025**.

Supporting Documents

For Council's review and reference, copies of the following are included in your packet. Both the Request for Proposals and New Life Center contract have been previously reviewed and approved by Council. The Letter of commitment and past presentation are for reference.

- Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Education Consultant
- New Life Center contract for OD Map administration.
- Letter of commitment from New Life Center
- Presentation to Jasper County Council re: 1st plan overview

Future Planning

Per Council's directive, Heather Rath Consulting will return to Council by December with a **menu of options for the use of future SCORF funds**, developed in coordination with the **Jasper County Sheriff** and aligned with SCORF use guidelines. This will ensure Council has clear options for the allocation of available funds in support of Jasper County's priorities.

Request for Proposals (RFP #2024-21)

Jasper County Unites Against Opioids: \$110,000

I. Structure

Jasper County Council provides policy direction for County departments through the County Administrator. The County Administrator has staff and consultants who execute the will of the County Council. This plan has been approved as part of a package for use of Opioid Settlement Funding by County Council.

II. Introduction

Jasper County, South Carolina, requests proposals from qualified consultants to create a comprehensive one year media campaign to combat the opioid crisis within the county. The selected consultant will develop a media campaign titled "Jasper County Unites Against Opioids" with a focus on hyper local messaging under the theme "One Pill Can Kill."

III. Background

Jasper County, South Carolina, is the southernmost county in the state, with a growing population of over 32,000 as of 2022. The opioid crisis has significantly impacted the community, necessitating a targeted and localized approach to raise awareness and prevent opioid-related deaths. The County received opioid settlement funds from the State of South Carolina to help reduce opioid-related deaths in the county. This campaign will utilize neighborhood-specific strategies to reach and engage the community effectively.

IV. Schedule

Issue RFP: September 13th, 2024

Deadline for Inquiries: 5:00 PM September 27th, 2024

Response to Inquiries: 5:00 PM October 4th, 2024

Deadline for Submitting Proposals: 3:00 PM October 18th, 2024

Evaluation Committee Review: October 29th, 2024

Select Short List for Presentations: November 1st, 2024

Presentations: TBD

Final Ranking and Selection: TBD

Contract Negotiation: TBD

County Council Contract Approval: TBD

V. RFP Inquiries

All inquiries concerning technical, and procedural requirements of this RFP or requests for additional information shall be directed by email to:

Heather Rath

Consultant, Jasper County Opioid Funding

Jasper County Government

hrath@heatherrathconsulting.com

VI. Plan Objectives

The objective is to create a comprehensive media campaign that effectively raises awareness about the dangers of opioid misuse and reduces opioid-related incidents in Jasper County. The campaign should be hyperlocal, addressing the unique needs and demographics of each neighborhood.

VII. Scope of Services

The media campaign shall involve a collaborative approach between county staff and consultants, stakeholders, and the community. The approved amount from Council is inclusive of consultant pay and ad placement. The campaign will include three primary strategies:

Strategy One: Neighborhood-Style Media Campaign

1. Community Workshops

Host tailored workshops in specific neighborhoods.

Use neighborhood-specific data and testimonials to highlight local opioid issues and ways to seek support.

Distribute personalized informational pamphlets/mailers targeting neighborhood concerns.

2. Localized Signage

Place billboards, mailings and posters strategically within each neighborhood.

Customize visuals and messaging to resonate with local demographics.
Ensure messages are culturally sensitive and multilingual.

3. Neighborhood & Community Ambassadors

Recruit community members, elected officials, and other stakeholders as ambassadors.
Empower them to share the "One Pill Can Kill" message within their circles.
Provide resources and training for effective communication.

4. Radio/TV Messaging

Develop radio/TV advertisements for local stations that reach Jasper County.
Utilize local personalities to deliver the message.

Strategy Two: Personal Stories and Community Engagement

1. Personal Stories in Local Media

Produce personalized video spots highlighting the impact of opioid misuse on families.
Share these stories through local TV channels, radio stations, and community specific newsletters.

2. Community Support Groups

Work within support groups to spread messaging.
Customize the focus of each group to address unique community challenges.
Collaborate with local mental health professionals for specialized assistance.

3. Town Hall Meetings

Organize neighborhood-specific town hall meetings.
Allow affected families to share their stories.
Tailor resources and support information to neighborhood needs.

Strategy Three: General Targeted Outreach

1. Pregnant Mothers

Develop mailing campaigns targeting neighborhoods with high opioid misuse rates.
Collaborate with healthcare providers to include informational materials in prenatal care packages.
Leverage community events to distribute resources and engage expectant mothers.

2. Church Members

Customize messaging for different religious denominations.
Send mailings to church congregations and utilize church bulletins.

Schedule radio segments featuring religious leaders discussing the opioid impact.

3. Seniors in High School

Tailor curriculum materials for high schools based on specific needs.

Distribute informational packets through school mailings and collaborate with administrators.

Utilize radio platforms popular among high school students.

Evaluation Metrics:

1. Surveys and Feedback

Capture neighborhood-specific changes in awareness through surveys.

Seek feedback from community members via localized focus groups.

2. Media Reach Measurement

Monitor reach and engagement of campaign content in each neighborhood.

Evaluate radio messaging effectiveness by analyzing audience response.

3. Incident Reports

Monitor changes in opioid-related incidents using OD MAP by New Life Center.

4. Attendance Measurement

Assess neighborhood-specific attendance and engagement in events and support groups.

Monitor the involvement of local ambassadors and leaders.

Success Criteria:

1. Reduction in Opioid Incidents

Achieve a 20% reduction in opioid-related incidents.

2. Increased Awareness and Knowledge

Observe a 30% increase in communitywide awareness of "One Pill Can Kill."

3. Enhanced Community Engagement

Achieve a 25% increase in community participation in workshops, town hall meetings, and support groups.

4. Effective Media Reach

Reach at least 80% of Jasper County's population through the media campaign.

VIII. Proposal Instructions

Format: Maximum 20 pages, single-sided, minimum 11-point font.

Submission: Online + Nine printed copies by [3:00 PM on October 18th, 2024.]

Content: Must include project approach, past project experience, qualifications, staffing capacity, and project fee structure.

IX. Submittals

Submission Physical Address (9 copies):

Kimberly Burgess

Director, Administrative Services Division

Jasper County Government

P.O. Box 1149, 358 3rd Avenue, Ridgeland, SC 29936

Online submission here:

[Jasper County Vendor Registry Page](#)

X. Selection Committee and Evaluation Criteria

Committee: County Administrator, Development Services Director, Health Department Director, Administrative Services Director, Controller, Opioid Funding Consultant, Fire/Rescue Chief.

Criteria:

Project approach and understanding (25%)

Team organization and availability (10%)

Past project experience and qualifications (40%)

Interview/Presentation (25%)

XI. Award

The Selection Committee will select the proposal based on the above evaluation criteria in its sole discretion. Following the review and ranking of proposals, the Selection Committee will make the final recommendation for selection. The Selection Committee will prepare a recommendation to Jasper County Council for the final selection of a consultant for the development of the "Jasper County Unites Against Opioids" media campaign.

Contractor: ForeSight Communications
Client: Jasper County Government
Project Title: Community-Based Opioid Education and Awareness Campaign
Contract Duration: August 12, 2025 – August 12, 2026
Total Value: \$110,000

Scope of Services

ForeSight Communications (“Contractor”) shall implement a comprehensive opioid education campaign across Jasper County focused on increasing awareness, reducing opioid-related incidents, and improving access to resources. The campaign includes three integrated strategies as outlined in the RFP.

NOTE: These strategies may be augmented on an mutually agreed-upon basis based on the data available from New Life Center and Jasper County Sheriffs Office.

STRATEGY ONE: NEIGHBORHOOD-STYLE MEDIA CAMPAIGN

1. Community Workshops

- Host *8 neighborhood-specific workshops* (2 per quarter)
- Customize messaging using localized data and testimonials
- Distribute 5,000+ printed pamphlets/mailers annually

2. Localized Signage

- Place *10 culturally sensitive and multilingual billboards/posters* across four targeted neighborhoods
- Rotate visuals twice per year to reflect evolving messaging

3. Neighborhood & Community Ambassadors

- Recruit and train *10 ambassadors* from community, civic, and faith-based groups
- Provide branded toolkits and monthly communication resources
- Facilitate quarterly check-ins and field reporting

4. Radio & Social Media Messaging

- Produce *4 radio ads* featuring local voices
- Launch *targeted social media advertising campaigns* each quarter
- Use Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube to reach younger and mobile-first demographics
- Optimize ads using analytics and adjust based on audience engagement

STRATEGY TWO: PERSONAL STORIES AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

1. Personal Stories in Local Media

- Produce *4 short videos* and *4 radio features* highlighting local stories
- Distribute through social media platforms, community newsletters, and local radio

2. Community Support Groups

- Partner with *3 existing support groups* to provide opioid-specific content
- Offer biannual sessions with mental health professionals

3. Town Hall Meetings

- Conduct *2 neighborhood-specific town halls*

- Provide speaker support, event materials, and post-meeting resource packets

STRATEGY THREE: GENERAL TARGETED OUTREACH

1. Pregnant Mothers

- Develop *1 prenatal care info insert* distributed via clinics and OB/GYN partners
- Reach approximately 400+ expectant mothers through direct and event-based distribution

2. Church Members

- Create *faith-based mailers* for 10–12 local churches
- Facilitate *1 radio segment* featuring a local religious leader

3. Seniors in High School

- Provide *opioid awareness kits* to Jasper County High School
- Partner with school media and youth-serving organizations to engage students and produce media around and with students.

EVALUATION AND REPORTING

1. Surveys and Focus Groups

- Distribute *quarterly surveys* across all workshop and event attendees
- Host *2 neighborhood focus groups* to gather qualitative feedback

2. Media Metrics

- Track media impressions and ad performance from radio and social media
- Adjust campaigns based on engagement and reach

3. Incident Monitoring

- Partner with New Life Center to analyze quarterly OD MAP data
- Summarize trends in quarterly reports

4. Participation Tracking

- Monitor event attendance, workshop engagement, and ambassador activity

Deliverables Schedule

Quarter	Key Deliverables
Q1	Workshops 1–2, Radio Ad #1, Social Media Campaign Launch, Ambassador Training
Q2	Workshops 3–4, Billboard Rotation 1, Prenatal & Church Outreach, Story Video 1
Q3	Workshops 5–6, Radio Ad #2, Town Halls 1–2, Support Group Engagement, Social Media Ad Campaign 2

Q4

Workshops 7–8, Billboard Rotation 2, High School Kits, Final Stories, Focus Groups, Social Media Ad Campaign 3

Reporting Requirements

- Monthly progress reports with updates on deliverables, outreach metrics, and evaluation activities that align with SCORF
- Quarterly summary reports with media reach and incident analysis
- Final impact report at contract conclusion

Payment Terms

- **\$9166.67 per month**
- Monthly invoices will be submitted on the 1st of each month, payable within 30 days upon receipt

Authorized Signatures

For Contractor:

ForeSight Communications

Courtney Young

President & CEO

ForeSight Communications

Signature: _____

Date: August 21, 2025

For Client:

Jasper County Government

Andrew P. Fulghum

County Administrator

Jasper County Government

Signature: _____

Date: 8-12-2025

EXHIBIT A

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN New Life Center AND Jasper County, South Carolina

Subject: ODMAP Management Collaboration

WHEREAS, Jasper County, South Carolina, recognizes the pressing need to address the opioid crisis within its jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, New Life Center is an established organization with expertise in addiction support and recovery services, and

WHEREAS, Jasper County is committed to leveraging data-driven approaches to combat the opioid crisis effectively, and

WHEREAS, Jasper County recognizes the deficiencies of current data into the ODMAP tool and is committed to improvement,

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of their shared goals and mutual desire to collaborate on opioid data management using the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP), Jasper County, South Carolina, and New Life Center hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) under the following terms and conditions:

1. Purpose and Scope:

1.1. The primary objective of this MOU is to establish a collaborative partnership for the management and utilization of ODMAP data to enhance opioid overdose response and intervention efforts within Jasper County.

2. Responsibilities:

2.1. Jasper County agrees to provide access to relevant overdose data, as permitted by applicable laws and regulations.

2.2. New Life Center will oversee the management and analysis of ODMAP data, maintain the ODMAP for Jasper County, and ensure data confidentiality and security.

2.3. Both parties will collaborate to identify trends, hotspots, and emerging issues related to opioid overdoses within Jasper County in accordance with the Phase 1 Jasper County Opioid Management Funds Use Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "1", utilizing funds provided by Jasper County as set forth in the New Life Center Jasper County Proposed Annual Budget -1st Year attached hereto as Exhibit "2".

2.4. New Life Center will regularly share ODMAP data, reports, and analysis with Jasper County, providing insights for informed decision-making.

2.5. Jasper County, SC will evaluate this agreement annually to ensure scope is being accomplished.

3. Data Confidentiality:

3.1. Both parties acknowledge the sensitivity of ODMAP data and commit to ensuring its confidentiality, complying with all relevant laws and regulations, including but not limited to data sharing agreements and HIPAA requirements.

4. Term and Termination:

4.1. This MOU shall be effective for a period of two years from the date of signature.

4.2. This MOU shall be effective upon signing and will continue until either party provides a written notice of termination, with a minimum 30-day notice.

4.3 Notwithstanding section 4.1 above, should the budget for year two of this Agreement be larger than the amounts being allocated under Exhibit "2" hereto, Jasper County reserves the right to terminate this MOU.

5. Amendment and Modification:

5.1. This MOU may be amended or modified by mutual written agreement of both parties.

6. Governing Law:

6.1. This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of South Carolina.

7. Entire Agreement:

7.1. This MOU constitutes the entire agreement between Jasper County and New Life Center regarding the subject matter herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned representatives of Jasper County, South Carolina, and New Life Center have executed this Memorandum of Understanding as of the date first below written.

Jasper County, South Carolina

Signature: _____



Printed Name: Andrew P. Fulghum

Title: County Administrator

Date: January 8, 2024

New Life Center

Signature: Estelle H Rivers

Printed Name: Estelle H Rivers

Title: Executive Director

Date: January 10, 2024



NEW LIFE CENTER

LOWCOUNTRY COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE
SERVING ALLENDALE, HAMPTON AND JASPER COUNTIES

JOSEPH BOWMAN
Board Chairman

CARF ACCREDITED

Estelle Rivers
Executive Director

February 1, 2024

Jasper County, SC

To Whom It May Concern,

The New Life Center agrees to partner with Jasper County, SC through their Opioid Settlement Funding Project to collect and analyze overdose data through the OD MAP database. The New Life Center agrees to hire a Prevention Specialist to work with local agencies within Jasper County, SC, such as: Jasper County EMS, Jasper County Fire Department, Ridgeland Fire Department, Hardeeville Fire Department, Jasper County Coroner's Office, Jasper County Detention Center, Jasper County Sheriff's Office, Ridgeland Police Department, Hardeeville Police Department, and Coastal Carolina Medical Center, to identify cases of overdose which occur in Jasper County and enter that data accurately into the OD MAP data system. The New Life Center agrees to facilitate a community coalition and share OD MAP data with community partners on a monthly basis. The New Life Center agrees to utilize funding provided by Jasper County, SC to fulfill the requirements set forth in the signed Memorandum of Understanding and to provide monthly account of all funding and implementation data to Jasper County, SC. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

Estelle H Rivers

Estelle H. Rivers
Executive Director

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Opioid Settlement Funds

Funding Request Overview – Presentation to Council

Monday, February 6th, 2024

*Please note, information is subject to change



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Budget Summary

**Total amount available to Jasper County:
\$269,876.29**

- Jasper County Unites Against Opioids: \$110,000
- ODMAP Tracking with New Life Center: \$62,000

Total Ask: \$172,000


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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>"One Pill Can Kill" Hyper-Local Messaging</p> <p>Objective:</p> <p>Raise awareness about the dangers of opioid misuse and prevent opioid-related deaths in Jasper County, SC through a hyper-local neighborhood-style media campaign.</p>	<p>Strategy One</p> <p>Media Campaign</p>
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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>Community Workshops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Host tailored workshops in specific neighborhoods. • Use neighborhood-specific data and testimonials to highlight the local opioid issues. • Distribute personalized informational pamphlets/mailers targeting the concerns of each neighborhood. <p>Localized Signage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place billboards and posters strategically within each neighborhood with a focus of localized messaging. • Customize visuals and messaging to resonate with the demographics of the specific area. • Ensure messages are culturally sensitive and multilingual. <p>Neighborhood Ambassadors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruit community members/elected officials/other stakeholders as ambassadors for the campaign. • Empower them to share the "One Pill Can Kill" targeted by neighborhood message within their social and political circles. • Provide resources and training for effective communication. <p>Radio/TV Messaging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop radio/tv appearances/advertisements specifically for local stations that reach Jasper County. • Utilize local radio/tv personalities to deliver the message in a relatable manner. 	<p>Campaign Tactics</p>
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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>Utilizing Families of Local Jasper Residents Who Have Lost Their Children/Family Members To The Opioid Crisis</p>	<p>Strategy Two</p> <p>Media Campaign</p> 
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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>Personal Stories in Local Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Produce personalized video spots for each neighborhood. • Highlight the impact of opioid misuse on families within specific communities. • Share these stories through local TV channels, radio stations, and community-specific newsletters. <p>Community Support Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work within support groups to spread messaging. • Customize the focus of each group to address the unique challenges faced by different communities. • Collaborate with local mental health professionals for specialized assistance. <p>Town Hall Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize neighborhood-specific town hall meetings. • Allow affected families to share their stories within their own communities. • Tailor resources and support information to the needs of each neighborhood. 	<p>Campaign Tactics</p> 
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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>General Targeted Outreach to Various Cohort Groups</p>	<p>Strategy Three</p> <p>Media Campaign</p>
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<p>Jasper County Unites Against Opioids</p> <p>Pregnant Mothers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop mailing campaigns targeting specific neighborhoods with high rates of opioid misuse• Collaborate with local healthcare providers to include informational materials in prenatal care packages.• Leverage community events to distribute resources and engage directly with expectant mothers. <p>Church Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Customize messaging for different religious denominations within Jasper County.• Send mailings to church congregations and utilize church bulletins for dissemination.• Schedule radio segments featuring religious leaders discussing the impact of opioids on the community. <p>Seniors in High School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tailor curriculum materials for high schools based on their specific needs and concerns.• Distribute informational packets through school mailings and collaborate with school administrators for effective implementation.• Utilize radio platforms popular among high school students for messaging.	<p>Campaign Tactics</p>
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Jasper County Unites Against Opioids

Surveys and Feedback

- Include questions in surveys that capture neighborhood-specific changes in awareness.
- Seek feedback from community members through localized focus groups.

Media Reach – Measurement

- Monitor the reach and engagement of campaign content in each neighborhood separately.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of radio messaging by analyzing audience response in targeted areas.

Incident Reports

- Monitoring by New Life Center with OD MAP
- Evaluate changes in opioid-related incidents in targeted areas to measure impact.

Attendance – Measurement

- Assess neighborhood-specific attendance and engagement in events, workshops, and support groups.
- Monitor the involvement of local ambassadors and leaders in each community.

Evaluation Metrics



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Jasper County Unites Against Opioids

Reduction in Opioid Incidents

- Success: A decrease in opioid-related incidents, meeting or exceeding the set target of 20%.

Increased Awareness and Knowledge

- Success: Observe a 30% or higher increase in community-wide awareness of the "One Pill Can Kill"

Enhanced Community Engagement:

- Success: Achieve a 25% or higher increase in community participation in workshops, town hall meetings, and support groups.

Effective Media Reach

- Success: Reach at least 80% of the Jasper County population through the hyper-local media campaign.

Success Criteria



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Collaboration with New Life Center On ODMAP

The Jasper County government, in contract with New Life Center, will establish a formal collaboration and memorandum of understanding for New Life Center to document opioid use, overdoses, and deaths on behalf of Jasper County utilizing ODMAP.

ODMAP

**Tracking
ODMAP**



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Objective:

ODMap Input: The New Life Center will feed into ODMap for Jasper County, incorporating all data points obtained from key stakeholders including:


- Jasper County Fire-Rescue/EMS
- Jasper County Coroner's Office
- Jasper County Sheriff's Office
- Jasper County Detention Center
- Ridgeland Police Department
- Ridgeland Fire Department
- Hardeeville Police Department
- Hardeeville Fire Department
- Department of Social Services
- Coastal Carolina Medical Center

ODMAP


**Tracking
ODMAP**



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<p>Evaluation Metric:</p> <p>ODMAP Will Allow Us To Understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geographical data pinpointing overdose incidents. • Timely updates on opioid overdose statistics. • A breakdown of overdose incidents by age, gender, and substances involved. • Identifying trends in overdose hotspots. <p>Data Sharing and Reporting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Life will regularly share overdose data with relevant stakeholders, including law enforcement, healthcare providers, and local community organizations. • Ensure that information is anonymized and complies with all applicable privacy regulations. 	<p>ODMAP</p> <p>Evaluation Metrics</p> 
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<p>Success Criteria:</p> <p>Community Outreach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct outreach programs to engage the stakeholders, community citizens and others to encourage reporting of opioid-related incidents. • Promote awareness about the status of ODMAP data as a resource for the public. <p>Analysis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Periodically review the OD Map data with stakeholders, to identify trends, emerging issues, or areas needing intensified intervention. • Use this information to recommend policy changes and allocate resources effectively. 	<p>ODMAP</p> <p>Success Criteria</p> 
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The Process:

- We have submitted our request along with all documents, letters of intent, budgets and other items to the State of South Carolina Opioid Recovery Fund
- I will work with the administrator of the Fund for additional documentation needed for the two programs (Education/Media Campaign and Tracking ODMAP) through this month.
- Adjustments to this plan may be made in advance of the March meeting.
- March 20th, the SCORF Board will meet and evaluate our plan and recommend to approve or not approve.
- The Board also may recommend one program but not another (severability).
- Once approved, we will issue an RFP working with the procurement team at Jasper County to find the team to lead the Education/Media Campaign.

Next Steps



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Heather Rath

CONSULTING
PROJECT MANAGEMENT
STRATEGY ~~~~~ ADVOCACY

THANK YOU!



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Progress Report August 19, 2025 – September 2, 2025

1. 2024 Transportation/Greenbelt Sales Tax Program:

Meeting with financial advisor, bond counsel, and staff on August 28 to review bonding needs and recommendations. Jasper County 2024 Transportation Sales Tax Advisory Committee met on August 22. Program Manager contract terms and proposed Greenbelt program discussed with County Council at a County Council special meeting on August 25. Contract approving program manager to go before the County Council for action at the Sept. 2 County Council meeting.

2. I-95 Widening Project:

County and Town attended SCDOT Open House on August 25. SCDOT public hearing to be held on Sept. 11 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Lakeside at Blue Heron in Ridgeland.

3. Shared Services Exploration:

Met with County, City, and Town staff on August 19 to discuss fire/rescue operations. Scheduled to meet again on September 17.

4. Active Litigation:

Working through providing information to various firms on various legal matters as part of the County Attorney position transition.

5. Capital Improvement Planning & Budgeting:

Met with senior staff on August 21 and reviewed work on capital projects, priorities, schedules, costs, and financing. Staff is now preparing materials to present to County Council for discussion at a County Council workshop.

6. Economic Development Projects:

Met with the SCA staff and outside counsel on August 20 and scheduled to meet on August 27 to review active economic development projects.

7. Ridgeland-Claude Dean Airport:

Reviewed materials re: the status of leases and financial implications with the Interim Airport Manager.

8. Other Meetings/Events Attended or Scheduled to Attend:

Leadership Lunch on August 20, drop-in for David Tedder on August 20, Jasper County 2024 Transportation Sales Tax Advisory Committee meeting on August 22, SCDOT Open House for Phase II of the I-95 Widening Project on August 25, and annual FILOT review meeting on August 27.

AGENDA

ITEM # 21

Council Member Comments
and Discussion