



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

Workshop and Special Called Meeting

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

August 8, 2022
Minutes

Officials Present: Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark, Vice Chairman Dr. Curtis Brantley
Councilman L. Martin Sauls, Councilman Pastor Alvin Adkins and Councilman John Kemp.

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

Also Present: Ray Jones and Ryan Romano

Workshop

Call Workshop to Order by Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark

Chairwoman Clark called the Workshop to order. Chairwoman Clark asked the Clerk to Council to read the Report of Compliance to the Freedom of Information Act. Ms. Simmons, Clerk to Council read the Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act as follows: *In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were posted and furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.*

Bailey Park PDD Workshop:

Ms. Lisa Wagner was present to discuss the Bailey Park PDD and answer any questions. Ms. Wagner discussed the Bailey Park PDD and showed a map of the area and noted that a public hearing had not been set up as of yet but will be set up and all parties would be notified. Councilman Sauls asked if the Planning Commission had approved it without reservations. Ms. Wagner said there had been a few concerns, but it does go back for a masterplan approval. Councilman Dr. Brantley asked if the Planning Commission was hesitant to make a final commitment. Ms. Wagner said the Planning Commission has recommended it to County Council with a favorable recommendation. She also noted that this was a Concept Plan only. The Developer was present to discuss this project and provide any answers that the public, staff or Council had. She noted that the current zone and the PDD zone were fairly comparable to one another. The Land Planner for the project was also there to discuss buffers and land planning. For additional discussion or information on this item on the agenda please go to our website at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14QaF_r0kxs&t=421s for the 08.08.2022 video.

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Chairwoman Clark called the Special Council Meeting to order after the conclusion of the Workshop.

The information below was read for the executive session.

Motion to go into executive session: Councilman

Second: Councilman

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

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 - [Exit 3](#)

(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 Silver Star](#)

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

Return to Regular Session:

Motion to return to regular session: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Motion from Executive Session:

Motion to move to authorize our Attorney's at the Law Firm of Parker Poe to send a letter to the City of Hardeeville detailing the County's position on the Exit 3 Project as discussed in Executive Session: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Councilman Adkins gave the Invocation and Councilman Sauls led the Pledge to the Flag.

Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

6:30 PM - Public Hearing

Public Hearing

A: David Tedder - Public Hearing Only regarding the citizen input on the desirability of an ordinance in the future to levy and impose up to a one (1) percent sales and use tax, subject to a referendum, within Jasper County pursuant to Section 4-10-1010 et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; to define the specific purposes and designate projects for which the proceeds of the tax may be used; to provide the maximum time for which such tax may be imposed; to provide the estimated cost of the projects funded from the proceeds of the tax; to provide for a county-wide referendum on the imposition of the sales and use tax and the issuance of general obligation bonds and to prescribe the contents of the ballot questions in the referendum; to provide for the administration of the tax, if approved; to provide for the payment of the tax, if approved; and to provide for other matters relating thereto.

Mr. Tedder reviewed the information for this public hearing for the public. He discussed the fact that at the last meeting which was the 2nd reading that there were too many questions Council needed to evaluate and review for answers so the Ordinance was voted down on the 2nd reading and would not be on the 2022 ballot. He noted that the public hearing had already been advertised due to advertising deadline time frame constraints, so it was held as it was noticed. Mr. Tedder noted that he nor Ms. Wagner or Ms. Simmons had not received any comments on this public hearing. The public hearing was opened and there was no public comment, so the public hearing was closed. Councilman Kemp noted that he had received several calls asking if this was the School Board public hearing and just wanted to clarify for the record that it was not.

New Business:

A: Kimberly Burgess - Cumming Management Group, Inc. Professional Service Agreement Change Order #3 in the amount of \$35, 152 for Marsh Cove Fire Station.

Ms. Burgess was present to address and review this item on the agenda. She noted that this was Change Order #3 from the Cumming Management Group in the amount of \$35,152 for the period of July through October 31st. She also mentioned that this change order was for additional and continuing services of the Marsh Cove Fire Station Construction.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

B: Kimberly Burgess – Marsh Cove Fire Station C. Merrill Construction Change Order #008 (RDA Change Order #6) for a fire suppression system certified water designed to meet NFPA 24.20167 requirements and reconciliation of contract allowance of \$3,500 for a septic tank system.

Ms. Burgess was present to address and review this item on the agenda. She noted that this was Change Order #008 (RDA Change Order #6) for a fire suppression system certified water designed to meet the NFPA 24.20167 requirements and the reconciliation of contract allowance of \$3500 for a septic tank system. As noted on the Change Order the scope of work includes a fire suppression system certified water tank that is designed to NFPA 24. 2016 requirements and designed by DLP Fire Protection Group, LLC, and their engineer of record Mr. Russell Armstrong, PE. In order to obtain a certified tank as required by LLR the state fire suppression authority having jurisdiction the costs are required. It was also noted that included in this request is a reconciliation of the contract allowance of \$3,500 for a septic tank system. For additional information on this item or any other item on the agenda please go to <https://www.jaspercountysc.gov/pdfs/county-council/e-packets/08.08.2022-Agenda-e-packet.pdf>.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls
Second: Councilman Adkins
Vote: Unanimous
The motion passed.

Chairwoman Clark read a letter sent to Council and Mr. Fulghum from Lyn Boyles, where Ms. Boyles expressed her gratitude regarding how proud she is of Jasper County and for her being able to work with Keep Jasper County beautiful. Chairwoman Clark said Ms. Boyles had received an award in Columbia and she thanked Lyn for all she does and for her dedication to Jasper County.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Adkins
Second: Councilman Sauls
Vote: Unanimous
The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Wanda H. Simmons
Clerk to Council



Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman