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MINUTES
DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL
DORCHESTER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SUMMERVILLE
SEPTEMBER 17, 2018
7:00 P.M.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, a notice was posted on the bulletin board 24 hours before the meeting, and the following media outlets were notified:
The Eagle-Record, The Summerville Journal Scene, The Post and Courier,
WCBD Channel 2, WCIV Channel 4 and WCSC Channel 5.

PRESENT: Mr. Jay Byars, Chairman
Mr. George H. Bailey, Vice Chairman
Mr. Con Chellis
Mr. David Chinnis (Via Telephone)
Mr. Willie R. Davis (Vacant Seat)
Mr. Larry S. Hargett
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.
Mr. Jason L. Ward, County Administrator
Mr. Daniel Prentice, Deputy Administrator/CFO
Ms. Rebecca Vance, Deputy Administrator/Community Services
Mr. John Frampton, County Attorney
Mr. Bradley Mitchell, Deputy County Attorney
Ms. Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council

Chairman Byars called the meeting of Dorchester County Council to order. He invited all to stand for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance by Councilman Hargett.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME

Chairman Byars announced that the name plate for Councilman Davis will remain in place and a white bow placed on his chair as a token of appreciation of his service to the County until his seat is filled. He asked that everyone keep Ms. Joyce and Jasmin in their thoughts and prayers.

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Ms. Peggy Bangle, 114 Ravenwood Court, Summerville, she thanked Mario Formisano and EOC staff for the outstanding job they did during the storm. She spoke about Councilman Davis, his kindness and how much he cared about the constituents of Dorchester County.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the September 4, 2018, County Council Meeting and the September 9, 2018, Emergency County Council Meeting.

2ND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE THE DORCHESTER COUNTY PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE

2. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to give 2nd Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances, Dorchester County, South Carolina, to Repeal Chapter 2, Article VI, Divisions 1 Through 10 and Substitute In Lieu Thereof New Divisions 1 Through 10 (The purpose of this ordinance is to repeal and replace the Dorchester County Procurement Ordinance, first adopted in 1983 and last revised in 2015. These changes reflect a modernization of the ordinance, alignment with the State Procurement Ordinance, and adhere to best practices in public procurement.)

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION #18-26, APPOINTING GEORGE BAILEY AS COMMISSIONER OF THE LAKE MARION REGIONAL WATER AGENCY

3. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #18-26, a Resolution Appointing George Bailey to Represent Dorchester County as a Commissioner of the Lake Marion Regional Water Agency and Jason Ward to Serve as an Alternate Representative.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION #18-27, RECOGNIZING MR. ED BURNS FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE TO DORCHESTER COUNTY

4. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chellis, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #18-27, a Resolution Recognizing Mr. Ed Burns for His Years of Dedicated Service to Dorchester County.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence received.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S TIME – MR. GEORGE BAILEY

Councilman Bailey thanked county employees for their hard work during Hurricane Florence. He said he wanted to thank them from the bottom of his heart for what they do for the people of Dorchester County.

Councilman Hearn said he had the experience on Thursday morning of going to one of the County's Convenience Sites and staff there was incredibly helpful, friendly, and had a very positive attitude on a day when they were called back in to work. He said they did their jobs well and he thanks them for what they were able to do in those five hours that made a big difference.

Councilman Hargett thanked Sheriff Knight for the increased presence of deputies in neighborhoods. He said it was a comfort during the storm and he appreciated it very much.

Councilman Bailey said he was picking up sandbags from residents and took them to the Water and Sewer Department for storage. He said a gentleman named Randy came over and was so helpful having no idea who he was. Councilman Bailey said other staff came out and helped them unload sandbags as well. He said people don't know a lot of times what county employees do to protect them during situations such as Florence. He said we have a great group of people working for Dorchester County and he appreciates all their hard work. Councilman Bailey also thanked Mr. Ward, Ms. Vance and Mr. Prentice.

Chairman Byars said staff did a great job. He said they were preparing ahead of time and he appreciates the first-class job that staff did. Chairman Byars said the County Auditor did a great job of rounding up sand and getting the sandbags distributed. He said it's nice to know that we have wonderful people to rely on that keep the citizens safe.

GUESTS

MR. DANIEL PRENTICE, DORCHESTER COUNTY DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR/CFO

Mr. Prentice gave a summary of revenues and expenditures for the County's major funds through August 31, 2018. He also included a summary of cash on hand in the major funds and status updates on major Water & Sewer, and Stormwater projects.

MR. JASON BYHAM, DIVISION PRESIDENT, LENNAR CAROLINAS

Mr. Jason Byham, Division President, Lennar Carolinas, presented information to County Council regarding the issuance of assessment backed revenue bonds to fund district improvements in the Summers Corner Improvement District. The bonds will not affect the County's bond ratings and will not have a County full faith and credit pledge. No action was taken.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

3RD READING OF REZONING REQUEST #767

5. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Chellis, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Rezoning Request #767 by Carlvell C. Ladson to rezone .51 acre located at 10681 Dorchester Road near Summerville from Single-Family Residential Manufactured Housing District (R-1M) to Office and Institutional District (OI), TMS #152-00-00-151.

3RD READING OF REZONING REQUEST #769

6. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Bailey, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Rezoning Request #769 by Lori Sparks to rezone .82 acre located at 1700 Central Avenue near Summerville from Multi-Family Residential (R-4) to Neighborhood Commercial (CN), TMS #135-12-00-082.

3RD READING OF REZONING REQUEST #771

7. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Chellis, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Rezoning Request #771 by Fredy Villafuerte and Olmer Darinel to rezone 1.21 acres located at 1950 Central Avenue near Summerville from Multi-Family Residential District (R-4) to Single-Family Residential Manufactured Housing District (R-1MA), TMS #143-02-00-030.

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #18-15 WITH RESPECT TO ADULT ESTABLISHMENTS

8. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Ordinance #18-15, an Ordinance to Amend the Dorchester County Zoning and Land Development Standards Ordinance #04-13, With Respect to Article VI, Section 13(b) "Adult Establishments", and Article XXV "Definitions" to Amend Adult Book Stores to Adult Novelty Stores (The purpose of this amendment is to broaden the definition of adult stores to include novelty items and devices.)

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #18-16 TO EXCLUDE PINE TREES FROM PROTECTION IN THE INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT

9. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Ordinance #18-16, an Ordinance to Amend Dorchester County Zoning and Land Development Standards Ordinance Number 04-13, as Previously Amended, to Revise Article XII, Section 12.4.3(a)(8) (The purpose of this amendment is to exclude pine trees from protection in the Industrial Zoning District.)

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #18-17 TO ELIMINATE ERRORS AND INCONSISTENCIES, AND UPDATE PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

10. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Chellis, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd Reading of Ordinance #18-17, an Ordinance to Amend Dorchester County Zoning and Land Development Standards Ordinance Number 04-13, as Previously Amended, to Repeal Article XIV "Administration, Enforcement, Appeals, Complaints and Remedies", Article XV "Board of Zoning Appeals", and Article XVI "Amendments" and Replace with New Article XIV, "Administration, Enforcement, & Amendments", New Article XV "Board of Zoning Appeals", and New Article XVI "Planning Commission"; and to Revise Sections 7.4.4, 7.5.5, 7.7.5, 7.8.5, 7.9.5, 7.12.5, 8.2.4, 8.3.4, 9.1.3.2, 9.2.4, 11.1.6(a), 11.1.6(e), 11.1.7, 11.1.8, 11.1.9, 11.2.11, and 11.6.6, to Update Code Section References (The purpose of this amendment is to eliminate errors and inconsistencies, update public notice requirements, create standard processes, and allow for easier finding of information for the Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning Commission.)

APPROVAL TO ALLOCATE 30% ACCOMMODATIONS TAX PROCEEDS TO TOUCHPOINT COMMUNICATIONS

11. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request to allocate \$20,280.54 in FY 2017-2018, 30% accommodations tax proceeds to Touchpoint Communications to administer the County's tourism marketing campaign.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN BYARS – BUDGET, FINANCE AND PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Chairman Byars reported that the Committee met at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the following items:

12. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to give 2nd Reading of an Ordinance to Amend the FY 2018-2019, Dorchester County Budget Ordinance Number 18-11, to Recognize Revenues in the General Fund and Hospitality Tax Special Revenue Fund and Increase Expenditures in Both Funds.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There were no appointments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S TIME – MR. JOHN FRAMPTON

3RD READING OF AN ORDINANCE, PROJECT SC 2

Mr. Frampton announced that he received a request to postpone the public hearing and 3rd Reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Amendment of Certain Economic Development Incentives Applicable to Project SC2, Including Entering Into a First Amendment to Fee Agreement, and Other Related Matters, Among Dorchester County, South Carolina, Project SC2, and Certain Sponsor Affiliates, Pursuant to Title 12, Chapter 44, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as Amended, which will be re-advertised and set on a subsequent meeting agenda. No action was taken.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION #18-28, ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR THE SUMMERS CORNER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

13. On the motion of Councilman Chellis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #18-28, a Resolution Approving the Assessment Rolls for Special Assessments A and B for the Summers Corner Improvement District.

APPROVAL OF SC HIGHWAY 27 WIDENING CONDEMNATIONS

14. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request for SC Highway 27 widening condemnations for TMS #'s 087-00-00-020, 087-00-00-055, 087-00-00-037, and 087-00-00-002.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to enter into Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. to discuss the following:

- Contractual Matter
 - Potential Real Estate Purchase for New Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Legal Advice
 - Wastewater Capacity Obligations

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 8:45 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced items, but no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

15. On the motion of Councilman Bailey, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 8:46 p.m.


Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council