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MINUTES DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL DORCHESTER COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SUMMERVILLE MAY 06, 2019 6:00 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. George H. Bailey, Chairman
Mr. David Chinnis, Vice Chairman
Mr. Jay Byars
Mr. Eddie Crosby (Attended Via Teleconference)
Mr. Larry S. Hargett
Mr. William R. Hearn, Jr.
Ms. Harriet A. Holman
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 Bailey called to order the meeting of Dorchester County Council. He invited all to stand for the invocation, which was given by Councilwoman Holman and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIRMAN'S TIME – MR. GEORGE BAILEY

REQUESTS TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Ms. Mary Rita Watson, 137 Northpark Avenue, North Charleston, she is a teacher at Oakbrook Elementary School. She invited Council to attend the budget meeting for School District 2 on May 8, 2019. She believes it would be a good idea for Council to attend and discuss physical autonomy.
- Ms. Peggy Bangle, 114 Ravenwood Court, Summerville, she spoke about the Local Government Fund and monies the County will receive. She also spoke about the gas tax, roads and salaries for our teachers.
- Mr. Mike Murphree, 516 W. 2nd South Street, Summerville, he thanked Council for Roy Strickland's service on DCTA. He said Mr. Strickland recently resigned and was a great asset.

MINUTES

1. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to adopt the minutes from the April 22, 2019, County Council Meeting.

PROCLAMATION #19-04, PROCLAIMING MAY 2019, MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

2. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chinnis, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Proclamation #19-04, Proclaiming May 2019, Mental Health Awareness Month. The proclamation was presented to Ms. Carli Drayton, Miss Dorchester County.

CORRESPONDENCE: No correspondence received.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S TIME – MR. JASON WARD

1ST READING OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING DORCHESTER COUNTY BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

3. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to give 1st reading, by title only, and referral to the Budget, Finance and Purchasing Committee for a public hearing and recommendation regarding Dorchester County Budget Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2019-2020, an Ordinance to Make Appropriations for County Government, Educational, and Fire Protection Purposes for Dorchester County for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2019, and Ending June 30, 2020; to Levy Taxes for the Payment Thereof; and to Provide for the Expenditure of Said Taxes and Other Revenues Coming into the County.

REQUEST TO AMEND THE FY2020 BUDGET CALENDAR

4. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Crosby, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request to amend the FY2020 Budget Calendar. The amendments will remove the Ashley River Fire Department budget presentation and will move the County Council Budget Workshop from June 13, 2019, to June 12, 2019. The amendment will also add the adoption of the Capital Improvement Plan by Resolution to the calendar on June 17, 2019.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ALLOCATE \$20,000 OF 2010 BOND PROCEEDS TO THE TOWN OF ST. GEORGE AND TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS

5. On the motion of Councilman Hearn, seconded by Councilman Chinnis, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request to allocate \$20,000 of 2010 bond proceeds to the Town of St. George for improvements to the tennis facility and \$3,828.05 to the Town of Ridgeville for playground equipment.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO TRANSFER \$6,000 IN CURRENT YEAR RECREATION FUND CONTINGENCY FOR MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES FOR ASHLEY RIVER PARK SITE

6. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Hearn, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request to transfer \$6,000 in current year recreation fund contingency for maintenance activities at the Ashley River Park Site.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRMAN CROSBY – ADMINISTRATIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chairman Crosby reported that the Committee met at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the following items:

7. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to adopt Resolution #19-05, a Resolution to Adopt a New Human Resources Manual and Authorize the County Administrator to Enforce the Policies and Procedures Contained Therein.
8. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve a request to offer additional compensation to non-exempt regular full-time employees with a CDL.

CHAIRMAN CHINNIS – PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Chairman Chinnis reported that the Committee met at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the following items:

9. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve 2nd reading of an Ordinance to Amend Dorchester County Zoning and Land Development Standards Ordinance Number 04-13, as Previously Amended, With Respect to Article IX, Zoning and Development Rural District Regulations, to Amend Section 9.1.3.1 and 9.1.3.2, to Eliminate Attached Single-Family and Multi-Family Uses, to Amend Section 9.1.4(a) to Reference TRM District Standards, and to Delete Sections 9.1.5, 9.1.6, and 9.1.10; also with Respect to Article XXV, to Delete the Definitions for Dwelling, Single-Family Attached (The purpose of this amendment is to limit residential development in the Absence of Controls District to appropriate rural densities).
10. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to deny 2nd reading of Rezoning Request #783 by Andrea Yelton, to rezone .45 acre located at 1340 Bacons Bridge Road, near Summerville from Single-Family Residential District (R-1) to Office and Institutional District (OI), TMS #145-09-05-005.
11. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve 2nd reading of Rezoning Request #784 by William and Syble Haselden, to rezone .33 acre located at 1711 Central Avenue, near Summerville, TMS #135-16-00-044; 1.38 acres located at 1707 Central Avenue, near Summerville, TMS #135-16-00-045; and .47 acres located at Central Avenue, near Summerville, TMS #135-16-00-083, from Multi-Family Residential (R-4) to Neighborhood Commercial District (CN).
12. On the recommendation of the Committee, County Council voted unanimously to approve 2nd reading of Rezoning Request #788 by Jennie Howell to rezone 1.39 acres located at 104 Argosy Drive near Summerville from Multi-Family Residential (R-4) to Single-Family Residential Manufactured Housing District (R-1M), TMS #143-08-05-019; and by Janis Bryant to rezone 1.4 acres located at 102 Argosy Drive near Summerville from Multi-Family Residential (R-4) to Single-Family Residential Manufactured Housing District (R-1M), TMS #143-08-05-020.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: There were no appointments.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S TIME – MR. JOHN FRAMPTON

PUBLIC HEARING FOR AN ORDINANCE REGARDING DC MACHINE, LLC (FORMERLY KNOWN AS PROJECT JENNIFER II)

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to open the public hearing so County Council can receive public comments regarding an Ordinance Authorizing, Pursuant to Chapter 44 of Title 12, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as Amended, the Execution and Delivery of a Fee Agreement Between Dorchester County, South Carolina and DC Machine, LLC (formerly known as Project Jennifer II) to Provide

for a Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive and Certain Special Source Revenue Credits, and Matters Relating Thereto.

Chairman Bailey struck the gavel, opening the public hearing. Chairman Bailey then invited the public to come forward to speak on this issue.

- Ms. Mary Rita Watson, 137 Northpark Avenue, Summerville, she asked what the tax rate was for the company and the length of the FILOT.

In the absence of additional requests to speak, Chairman Bailey struck the gavel, closing the public hearing.

3RD READING OF ORDINANCE #19-14, AN ORDINANCE REGARDING DC MACHINE, LLC (FORMERLY KNOWN AS PROJECT JENNIFER II)

13. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Hargett, County Council voted unanimously to give 3rd reading of Ordinance #19-14, an Ordinance Authorizing, Pursuant to Chapter 44 of Title 12, South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as Amended, the Execution and Delivery of a Fee Agreement Between Dorchester County, South Carolina and DC Machine, LLC (formerly known as Project Jennifer II) to Provide for a Fee-In-Lieu of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive and Certain Special Source Revenue Credits, and Matters Relating Thereto.

2ND READING OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING PROJECT LEX

14. On the motion of Councilman Chinnis, seconded by Councilman Crosby, County Council voted unanimously, to give 2nd reading of an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Infrastructure Credit Agreement by and Between Dorchester County, South Carolina, and a Company Known for the Time Being as Project Lex, and One or More Affiliates, to Provide for Special Source Revenue Credits; Authorizing the Expansion of the Joint County Industrial Park Formed with Orangeburg County to Include Property Located in Dorchester County; and Other Matters Related Thereto.

2ND READING OF AN ORDINANCE ABOLISHING AND DISSOLVING AN AREA OF DORCHESTER COUNTY ADDED TO THE SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT KNOWN AS THE ASHLEY RIVER FIRE DISTRICT

15. On the motion of Councilwoman Holman, seconded by Councilman Chinnis, County Council voted unanimously to give 2nd reading of an Ordinance Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 4-19-10, Et Seq. Abolishing and Dissolving an Area of Dorchester County Which Was Added to the Original Special Tax District Known as the Ashley River Fire District by Resolution Adopted September 17, 1984.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The County Attorney requested Council's consideration to enter into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss the following:

- Contractual Matters
 - Potential Purchase of Property Near EMS Headquarters on US 78

RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

At approximately 6:44 p.m., Mr. Frampton reported that Council discussed the previously announced items, but no action was taken.

POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY NEAR EMS HEADQUARTERS ON US 78

16. On the motion of Councilman Hargett, seconded by Councilman Chinnis, County Council voted unanimously to authorize the County Administrator to execute the Purchase Agreement between Dorchester County and Lowcountry Lands, Inc. for the purchase of a parcel of land containing approximately .69 acre with TMS #130-

10-00-081 adjacent to the EMS headquarters for the sum of \$425,000 and further to execute any and all documents necessary to consummate the purchase.

ADJOURNMENT

17. On the motion of Councilwoman Holman, seconded by Councilman Crosby, County Council voted unanimously to adjourn at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Tracey L. Langley

Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council