

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 19-21

COUNTY OF DORCHESTER

**ORDERING A REFERENDUM PURSUANT TO THE COUNTY BOND ACT FOR THE
PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA
SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING \$38,000,000 GENERAL
OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
FUNDING PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, it is provided in Section 14 of Article X of the Constitution of South Carolina that the political subdivisions of the State shall have power to incur general obligation debt without limitation if the same be authorized by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the political subdivision voting in a referendum authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, statutory authorization for the holding of the election and the issuance of bonds is provided by Sections 4-15-10 to 4-15-180, inclusive, of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (herein called the "County Bond Act"); and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Dorchester County, South Carolina (the "County Council"), the governing body of Dorchester County, South Carolina (the "County"), desires to fund the acquisition of land and the design and construction of parks and recreational facilities at various locations throughout the County, including the development of the Dorchester County Courthouse Park in St. George, the Ashley River Park, the Ashley River Park-Rosebrock Park-Swamp Fox Connector and the Pine Trace Natural Area in Summerville, and the development of hiking, biking and pedestrian trails and bridges, together with associated infrastructure, at various locations throughout the County (collectively, the "Recreation Projects"); and

WHEREAS, the County Council further desires to fund the Recreation Projects through the issuance of not exceeding \$38,000,000 of general obligation bonds of the County provided that such bonds are authorized by a majority vote of the qualified electors of the County voting in a referendum; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has now determined to order a referendum for the purpose of seeking voter approval to issue not exceeding \$38,000,000 of general obligation bonds of the County in order to fund the Recreation Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED:

Section 1.

A referendum pursuant to the County Bond Act is hereby ordered to be held in Dorchester County, South Carolina at the election on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 (the "Referendum"), at which there shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the County the following question:

REFERENDUM QUESTION – DORCHESTER COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION

AUTHORIZATION FOR ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$38,000,000
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FUND PARKS AND RECREATIONAL
FACILITIES IN DORCHESTER COUNTY

Shall Dorchester County, South Carolina be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$38,000,000 for funding the acquisition of land and the design and construction of parks and recreational facilities at various locations throughout the County, including the development of the Dorchester County Courthouse Park in St. George, the Ashley River Park, the Ashley River Park-Rosebrock Park-Swamp Fox Connector and the Pine Trace Natural Area in Summerville, and the development of hiking, biking and pedestrian trails and bridges, together with associated infrastructure, at various locations throughout the County?

Section 2.

A certified copy of this Ordinance shall be delivered to the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration which shall be requested to conduct the Referendum at the election held on November 5, 2019, and they shall be requested to direct the Managers of Election to conduct this Referendum and thereafter to certify the results of such Referendum to this County Council.

Section 3.

A Notice of Referendum, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, shall be published in a newspaper published in the County and in compliance with the provisions of Sections 7-13-35 and 4-15-50 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (or any other applicable statutory provisions enacted subsequent to the date of enactment of this Ordinance) not less than 60 days prior to the Referendum and not later than two weeks after such first notice is published.

ADOPTED this 12th day of August, 2019.

(SEAL)

George H. Bailey, Sr., Chairman
Dorchester County Council

Attest:

Tracey L. Langley, Clerk to Council

First Reading: July 15, 2019
Second Reading: July 29, 2019
Third Reading: August 12, 2019

FORM OF NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

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**AUTHORIZATION FOR ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$38,000,000
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FUND PARKS AND RECREATIONAL
FACILITIES IN DORCHESTER COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Referendum will be held in Dorchester County, South Carolina (the "County"), on November 5, 2019, for the purpose of submitting to all persons qualified to vote in the County, under the Constitution and laws of the State of South Carolina, the following question:

Shall Dorchester County, South Carolina be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$38,000,000 for funding the acquisition of land and the design and construction of parks and recreational facilities at various locations throughout the County, including the development of the Dorchester County Courthouse Park in St. George, the Ashley River Park, the Ashley River Park-Rosebrock Park-Swamp Fox Connector and the Pine Trace Natural Area in Summerville, and the development of hiking, biking and pedestrian trails and bridges, together with associated infrastructure, at various locations throughout the County?

In favor of the question []

Opposed to the question []

If you are in favor of the question, place a check or cross mark in the square after the words "In favor of the question"; if you are opposed to the question, place a check or cross mark in the square after the words "Opposed to the question".

Every person offering to vote must be at least 18 years of age on the date of the Referendum, must reside in the County and must be duly registered on the books of registration for the County as an elector in the precinct in which he or she resides and offers to vote on or before the date on which said books of registration are closed for the Referendum, and must produce, upon presenting himself or herself to vote, a valid and current: (1) South Carolina driver's license, (2) other form of identification containing a photograph issued by the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles, (3) passport, (4) military identification containing a photograph issued by the federal government, or (5) South Carolina voter registration and containing a photograph of the voter. Persons who do not or cannot present valid and current identification as provided herein may cast a provisional ballot in accordance with Section 7-13-710 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

Any persons wishing to register to vote in this election, if registering by mail, must have such registration postmarked not later than October 7, 2019, and mailed to the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration, 201 Johnston Street, St. George, South Carolina 29477, or, if registering to vote in person, must do so by no later than October 5, 2019. Any such registered elector who has moved his or her place of residence within the County after the date on which said books of registration are closed for the Referendum, but before the date of the Referendum, shall be entitled to vote in his or her previous precinct of residence in the Referendum; provided, however, in case any registered elector shall have moved from one precinct in the County to another precinct in the County within thirty days

prior to November 5, 2019, and shall have surrendered his registration certificate and has received a new certificate, such elector may vote in the precinct provided for by such new certificate. Persons who become of age during the 30 day period preceding the Referendum shall be entitled to register before the closing of the books if otherwise qualified.

Any person eligible to register to vote in the Referendum who has been discharged or separated from his service in the Armed Forces of the United States prior to November 5, 2019, and has returned home too late to register at the time when registration is required, is entitled to register for the purpose of voting in the Referendum after the discharge or separation from service, up to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the Referendum. This application for registration must be made at the office of the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration, and if qualified, the person must be issued a registration notification stating the precinct in which he is entitled to vote and a certification to the managers of the precinct that he is entitled to vote and should be placed on the registration rolls of the precinct.

The polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the polling places designated below and shall be open during these hours without intermission or adjournment. Appropriate vote recorders will be provided at the polling places for the casting of ballots on the aforesaid question. Managers of Election will be appointed by the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration. The Managers of Election shall see that each person offering to vote takes the oath that he is qualified to vote at this election according to the Constitution of this State, and that he has not voted before in this election. The precincts within the County and locations of the several polling places for such Referendum are as follows, subject to final designation by the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration:

<u>Precinct Name</u>	<u>Polling Location Name</u>	<u>Polling Location Address</u>
Rosinville	Indian Field Fire Dept	1525 W Main St Harleyville SC 29448
St. George No. 2	K F Waggoner Bldg	201 Johnston St St. George SC 29477
St. George No. 1	St George Senior Citizen Center	5361 E Jim Bilton Blvd St. George SC 29477
Grover	Grover Fire Dept	3336 Wire Rd St. George SC 29477
Reevesville	Reevesville Fire Dept	6800 Johnston Ave Reevesville SC 29471
Harleyville	Odyssey Educational Center	145 Hill St Harleyville SC 29448
Four Hole	Harleyville Elementary School	1650 E Main St Dorchester SC 29437
Rosses	Dorchester Career School	507 School House Rd Dorchester SC 29437
Ridgeville	Clay Hill Middle School	387 S Railroad Ave Ridgeville SC 29472
Givhans	Givhans Alternative Program	273 Highway 61 Ridgeville SC 29472
Delemars	Sand Hill United Methodist	1961 Summers Drive Ridgeville SC 29472

Saul Dam	Beech Hill Elementary	1001 Beech Hill Rd Summerville SC 29485
Coastal	Coastal Center	9995 Miles Jamison Rd Ladson SC 29456
Trolley	Summerville Church of Christ	413 Old Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Tranquil	Oakbrook Elementary School	306 Old Fort Rd Ladson SC 29456
Beech Hill	Beech Hill Elementary	1001 Beech Hill Rd Summerville SC 29485
Flowertown	Summerville High School	1101 Boone Hill Rd Summerville SC 29483
Knightsville	Knightsville Elementary	847 Orangeburg Rd Summerville SC 29483
Clemson	Dubose Middle School	1000 Dubose School Rd Summerville SC 29483
Germantown	Bethany United Methodist	118 W 3 rd S St Summerville SC 29485
Greenwave	Summerville High School	1101 Boone Hill Rd Summerville SC 29483
Newington	Newington Elementary School	10 King Charles Cir Summerville SC 29485
Carolina	Summerville Senior Center	312 N Laurel St Summerville SC 29483
Dorchester	Bethany United Methodist	118 W 3 rd S St Summerville SC 29485
Archdale	Ft Dorchester High School	8500 Patriot Blvd N Charleston SC 29420
Stallsville	Stallsville United Methodist	255 Stallsville Rd Summerville SC 29485
Indian Field	St George Middle School	600 Minus St St George SC 29477
Spann	Spann Elementary School	901 John McKissick Way Summerville SC 29483
North Summerville	Alston Middle School	500 Bryan St Summerville SC 29483
Tupperway	Summerville High School	1101 Boone Hill Rd Summerville SC 29483
Irongate	Grace Lutheran	720 Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Greenhurst	Spann Elementary School	901 John McKissick Way Summerville SC 29483

Ashborough East	Dorchester Presbyterian Church	10290 Dorchester Rd Summerville SC 29485
Ashborough West	Old Fort Baptist Church	10505 Dorchester Rd Summerville SC 29485
Ashley River	River Oaks Middle School	8642 River Oaks Dr N Charleston SC 29420
Windsor	Cathedral Of Praise	3790 Ashley Phosphate Rd N Charleston SC 29420
Bacons Bridge	Beech Hill Elementary	1001 Beech Hill Rd Summerville SC 29485
Brandymill	Grace Lutheran Church	1600 Old Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Briarwood	Summerville Church Of Christ	413 Old Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Butternut	Reeves Elementary	1003 Dubose School Rd Summerville SC 29483
Central	Knightsville United Methodist	1505 Central Ave Summerville SC 29483
Coosaw	Ft Dorchester Elementary	5201 Old Glory Ln Summerville SC 29485
Cypress	Knightsville Elementary	847 Orangeburg Rd Summerville SC 29483
Kings Grant	Riverbluff Church	5421 River Bluff Pkwy North Charleston SC 29420
Lincoln	Cathedral of Praise	3790 Ashley Phosphate Rd N Charleston SC 29420
Miles/Jamison	Coastal Center	9995 Miles Jamsion Road Ladson, SC 29456
Oakbrook	Oakbrook Middle School	286 Old Fort Rd Ladson SC 29456
Patriot	Ft Dorchester High School	8500 Patriot Blvd N Charleston SC 29420
Sawmill Branch	Flowertown Elementary School	20 King Charles Cir Summerville SC 29485
Coastal 2	Coastal Center	9995 Miles Jamison Rd Ladson SC 29456
Coastal 3	Coastal Center	9995 Miles Jamison Rd Ladson SC 29456
Archdale 2	Ft Dorchester High School	8500 Patriot Blvd N Charleston SC 29420
Ashborough E 2	Dorchester Presbyterian Church	10290 Dorchester Rd Summerville SC 29485

Ashborough W 2	Old Fort Baptist Church	10505 Dorchester Rd Summerville SC 29485
Beech Hill 2	Beech Hill Elementary	1001 Beech Hill Rd Summerville SC 29485
Brandymill 2	Grace Lutheran Church	1600 Old Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Briarwood 2	Summerville Church Of Christ	413 Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Briarwood 3	Summerville Church Of Christ	413 Trolley Rd Summerville SC 29485
Central 2	Knightsville United Methodist	1505 Central Ave Summerville SC 29483
Clemson 2	Dubose Middle School	1000 Dubose School Rd Summerville SC 29483
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Voters who are blind, who are otherwise physically handicapped, or who are unable to read or write are entitled to assistance in casting their ballot. This assistance may be given by anyone the voter chooses except his employer, an agent of his employer, or an officer or agent of his union. The Managers of Election must be notified if assistance is needed. Voters who are unable to enter their polling place due to physical handicap or age may vote in the vehicle in which they drove, or were driven to the polls. When notified, the Managers will help voters effectuate this curbside voting provision. Registered voters may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot. Persons wishing more information concerning absentee balloting should contact the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration at (843) 563-0071 or (843) 832-0071.

The Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration shall hold a hearing on ballots challenged in the election on Friday, November 8, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Dorchester County Board of Elections and Voter Registration, 235 Deming Way, Summerville, South Carolina. The process of examining the return-addressed envelopes containing absentee ballots will begin at 9:00 a.m. on November 5, 2019.

s/ _____
Chairman, County Council of
Dorchester County, South Carolina

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Chairman, Dorchester County Board of
Elections and Voter Registration