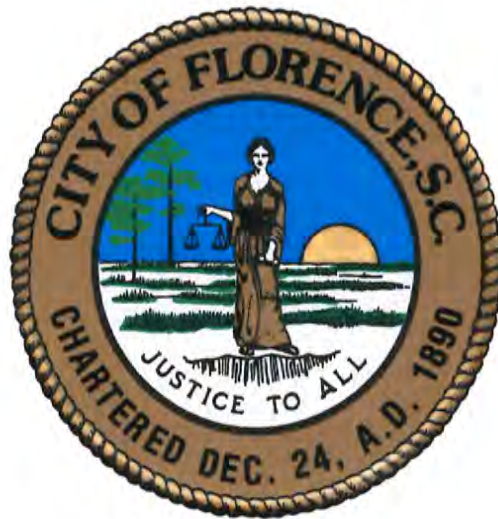


REGULAR MEETING
OF
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL



COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ROOM 604, CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

MONDAY
JUNE 10, 2013
1:00 P.M.

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CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 604

FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

Pledge of Allegiance

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 3, 2013 – Budget Worksession

May 13, 2013 – Regular Meeting

IV. HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

Service Recognitions

Samuel Cooper – 10 years – Distribution Operations

Kevin Crawford – 15 years – Streets

Vincent Matthews – 15 years - Fire

V. ORDINANCES IN POSITION

a. Bill No. 2013-11 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to rezone Tax Map Number 00180-01-010, from R-1, Single-Family Residential District and RU-1, Rural Community District to R-3, Single-Family Residential District.

b. Bill No. 2013-12 – Second Reading

An Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014.

VI. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- a. **Bill No. 2013-13 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to regulate businesses by enacting a new chapter in the City of Florence Code of Ordinances to establish provisions and requirements for the screening of criminal records by certain employers within the City of Florence.
- b. **Bill No. 2013-14 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to annex Tax Map Number 17518-01-001 and zone same property to R-4, Multi-Family Residential District.
- c. **Bill No. 2013-15 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 94-03 to provide for an adjustment of the portion of the Local Option Sales Tax collected to be used as a credit against the property tax.
- d. **Bill No. 2013-16 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to designate 147 West Evans Street as a local historic resource.
- e. **Bill No. 2013-17 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to designate 150 North Dargan Street as a local historic resource.

VII. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION

- a. **Resolution No. 2013-14**
A Resolution which replaces Resolution No. 2013-13 to amend the Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2013-2014.

VIII. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

- a. *A request from Weed and Seed Safe Haven to amend the Weed and Seed Budget by transferring approximately \$2,000 from the Utilities Line to the Programming Line item.*

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. *Contractual Matter*

X. ADJOURN

**SPECIAL MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013 – 3:00 P.M.
FIRE STATION #5
296 E. RED BUD LANE
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Stephen J. Wukela called the special meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. with the following members present: Councilman Robby L. Hill; Councilwoman Teresa Myers Ervin; Councilman Edward Robinson; Mayor Pro tem Buddy Brand; Councilwoman Octavia Williams-Blake and Councilman Glynn F. Willis.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Drew Griffin, City Manager; Mrs. Dianne M. Rowan, Municipal Clerk; Mr. James W. Peterson, Jr., City Attorney; Mr. Thomas Chandler, Director of Finance; Mr. Scotty Davis, Director of General Services; Mr. Ray Reich, Downtown Development Manager; Chief Randy Osterman, Florence Fire Chief; Chief Anson Shells, Florence Police Department; Mr. Phillip Lookadoo, Director of Planning, Research and Development; Mr. Chuck Pope, Director of Public Works; and Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utilities.

Notice of the date, time and location of the meeting was provided to the media and those individuals requesting copies of the City Council agenda.

Mr. John Sweeney of the Morning News was present for the meeting.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Ervin gave an invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag followed the invocation.

BUDGET WORKSESSION

Mr. Drew Griffin, City Manager stated that the budget is balanced, however there are a few issues that will be discussed during the meeting today but relative to the operational and capital budgets of the City, the budget is balanced. Mr. Griffin stated he would like to have first reading on the budget at today's worksession and have one more worksession prior to second reading of the budget ordinance at the June 10, 2013 City Council meeting.

The FY 2013-14 Budget Presentation Agenda for today is:

- ▶ Budget Totals By Fund
- ▶ Compensation & Benefits
- ▶ General Fund
- ▶ Hospitality Special Revenue Fund
- ▶ CDBG Budget
- ▶ Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund
- ▶ Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund
- ▶ Water/Sewer & Stormwater Utility Construction Funds
- ▶ Utilities Equipment Replacement Funds

<u>Proposed FY 2013-14 Budgets by Fund</u>		
General Fund	\$	29,470,000
General Fund Debt Service Fund		421,600
Hospitality Fund		3,455,000
CDBG Fund		200,000
W/S Utilities Enterprise Fund		30,186,000
Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund		1,340,000
W/S Utilities Construction Fund		3,637,000
Stormwater Utility Construction Fund		622,000
W/S Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund		421,200
Stormwater Utility Capital Equipment Fund		155,000
ALL FUNDS	\$	69,907,800

This shows all of the budgets combined to give a total budget of \$69,907,800.

FY 2013-14 Compensation & Benefits Information

- ▶ 2% Cost of Living increase effective January 1, 2014
- ▶ Annual Longevity Recognition
- ▶ 13.05% Overall Health Insurance premium increase (both City and employees) effective January 1, 2014
- ▶ \$25 monthly employee contribution for health insurance
- ▶ Retirement System contribution increases for City and employees effective July 1, 2013:
 - ▶ SCRS: **Employee** contribution increases .5% (from 7% to 7.50%)
 - ▶ PORS: **Employee** contribution increases .84% (from 7% to 7.84%)
 - ▶ PORS: **City** contribution increases .54% (from 12.30% to 12.84%)

As a follow-up to the discussions from the last budget worksession, these are the recommendations for benefits and employee contributions to health insurance and retirement increases.

The original revenue projections for the FY 2013-14 General Budget were \$28,815,000 and the original expenditure requests were \$29,959,000 (a difference of \$1,144,000). The proposed FY 2013-14 Budget is \$29,470,000 as compared to the FY 2012-13 General Fund Budget of \$29,200,000.

Actions Taken to Balance FY 2013-14 General Fund Budget

- ▶ Updated & Modified Revenue Projections
- ▶ Extended Hiring Timeline
- ▶ Employee Contribution for Health Insurance
- ▶ Operational Funding Request Adjustments
- ▶ Capital Funding Request Eliminations
- ▶ End of Year Capital Purchases
- ▶ 2% Cost of Living for Half Year

This is a list of actions taken to balance the budget. Since the last budget worksession, staff updated and modified the revenue projections; extended the hiring timeline to 16 weeks for anyone that leaves employment with the City; an employee contribution for health insurance; adjusted the operational funding requests of the department managers and directors; eliminated capital funding; will consider some end of year capital purchases; the 2% cost of living increase for half of the year and no merit increase for the fiscal year.

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General Fund
Revenue Projection Increases Made In Balancing
Proposed FY 2013-14 Budget

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Business Licenses	\$ 196,000
State Accommodations Tax – 5% Funds	2,000
Police Grants	1,000
Miscellaneous Grants – C Funds (from SCDOT)	318,600
Batting Cage Fees	400
Freedom Florence Gate Fees	20,000
Criminal Fines	7,000
Traffic Fines	30,000
Concessions Revenue	5,000
From Rollcart/Equipment Replacement Fund	<u>75,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 655,000

This chart shows revenue increases (changes in projections) that were made in the proposed budget over the initial requests to help balance the budget. This generated an additional \$655,000.

General Fund
Compensation and Benefits Cost Reductions
Made in Balancing Proposed FY 2013-14 Budget

From Extended Hiring Timeline	\$ 335,050
From \$25 Monthly Employee Insurance Contribution	<u>113,300</u>
TOTAL	\$ 448,350

These two items will generate an additional \$448,350 to be used to help balance the budget.

General Fund
Operational Funding Reductions Made in Balancing
Proposed FY 2013-14 Budget

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Govt/Admin Services	\$ 21,450
Police	44,900
Fire	15,500
Beautification & Facilities	32,000
Sanitation	15,000
Recreation	10,000
Athletics	<u>4,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 142,850

These are the reductions that were made based upon the original submittals. Staff went into the budget and analyzed the data from prior years; looked at the expectations for next year; did some internal calculations and the operational requests were reduced by \$142,850 which reduced the budget by that amount.

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**General Fund
Equipment Eliminated in Balancing
Proposed FY 2013-14 Budget**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Police	\$ 8,400
Fire	80,000
Beautification & Facilities	20,000
Recreation	10,000
Athletics	<u>47,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 165,400

Capital equipment was reduced by \$165,400 to help balance the budget.

**General Fund
End of Current Year Capital Purchases
Proposed in Balancing FY 2013-14 Budget**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Police	\$ 40,800
Fire	5,000
Beautification & Facilities	105,200
Recreation	25,000
Athletics	<u>75,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 251,000

In previous budget discussions, information was given on a late payment from the Municipal Association for insurance. A portion of those funds will be used towards early capital purchases. After the City's audit is completed, funds from fund balance will also be used to help with these purchases. By making these purchases out of this year's budget it will reduce the FY 2013-14 budget by \$251,000.

**General Fund
Funding Increases Made in Balancing
Proposed FY 2013-14 Budget**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sanitation	\$ 75,000
Non Departmental	125,000
C – Fund Resurfacing Project	<u>318,600</u>
TOTAL	\$ 518,600*

*Funding increases of \$518,600 are the result of grants and other funding sources added to the budget after original revenue projections were made.

Any increase in the PDRTA funding will come from these funds.

**Summary of Expenditure Adjustments
To Balance General Fund Budget**

<u>Expenditure Reductions</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Compensation and Benefits Cost Reductions	\$ 448,350
Operational Funding Reductions	142,850
Eliminated Equipment Cost Reductions	165,400
End of Year Capital Purchases Reductions	<u>251,000</u>
Reductions to Balance Budget	\$ 1,007,600
Less Expenditure increases from Grants, etc.	<u>-518,600</u>
Total Expenditure Reductions to Balance Budget	\$ 489,000

Note: Expenditure increases of \$518,600 are the result of grants and other funding sources added to the budget after original revenue projections were made.

This is a summary of adjustments made to expenditures in order to balance the budget.

Balancing the FY 2013-14 General Fund Budget - Recap

GF REVENUES		
Original Revenue Projections	\$ 28,815,000	
Revenue Increases Added	<u>+655,000</u>	
FY 2013-14 Final GF Revenues		\$ 29,470,000
 GF EXPENDITURES		
Original Expenditure Projections	\$ 29,959,000	
Expenditure Reductions	<u>-489,000</u>	
FY 2013-14 Final GF Expenditures		\$ 29,470,000

The General Fund Revenues were increased by \$655,000 over the original revenue projections and the General Fund Expenditures were decreased by \$489,000 from the original expenditures. These actions enabled the General Fund Budget to be balanced at \$29,470,000.

**FY 2013-14 General Fund
Revenue Budget by Source**

<u>Category</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Property Taxes*	\$ 9,219,600	31.28%
Licenses & Fees	11,051,000	37.50%
Governmental Reimbursements	1,963,600	6.66%
Charges for Service	1,901,800	6.45%
Fines & Forfeitures	700,000	2.38%
Miscellaneous & Other Revenues	376,000	1.28%
Interfund Transfers	<u>4,258,000</u>	<u>14.45%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 29,470,000	100.00%

*Local Option Sales Tax accounts for 60.74% of the total Property Taxes.

31.28% (\$9,219,600) of the General Fund revenue comes from Property Taxes. As noted, the Local Option Sales Tax accounts for 60.74% of the funds from property taxes. Licenses & fees make up 37.50% or \$11,051,000 of the General Fund (the projections for this category were increased by \$196,000). The remaining sources that make up the General Fund are: Governmental Reimbursements (\$1,963,600 – 6.66%); Charges for services (\$1,901,800 – 6.45%); Fines & Forfeitures (\$700,000 – 2.38%); Miscellaneous & Other Revenues (\$376,000 – 1.28%); and Interfund Transfers (\$4,258,000 – 14.45%).

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General Fund
FY 2013 & 2014 Revenue Budget
Comparison

<u>Category</u>		<u>FY 2013</u>		<u>FY 2014</u>		<u>Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Property Taxes	\$	9,137,900	\$	9,219,600	\$	81,700	0.89%
Businesses Licenses		7,305,000		7,751,000		446,000	6.11%
Franchise Fees		3,550,000		3,300,000		-250,000	-7.04%
Govt. Reimbursements		1,854,000		1,963,600		109,600	5.91%
Charges for Service		1,899,000		1,901,800		2,800	0.15%
Fines & Forfeitures		710,000		700,000		-10,000	1.41%
Other Revenues		816,000		376,000		-440,000	-53.92%
Interfund Transfers		3,938,100		4,258,000		329,900	8.40%
TOTAL	\$	29,210,000	\$	29,470,000	\$	270,000	0.92%

This chart shows the FY 2013 data in the same category compared to the FY 2014 data. There are significant decreases in Franchise Fees, Fines & Forfeitures and Other Revenues. The growth of the City for this fiscal year is 0.92% - less than 1 percent.

FY 2013-14 General Fund
Expenditure Budget by Category

	FIXED COSTS	FY 14 Budget	% of Total
Personnel/Benefits	\$	20,906,730	70.94%
Departmental Operations		4,882,000	16.57%
Capital Leases		366,000	1.24%
Grants		360,600	1.22%
OPEB/Unemployment Comp		507,570	1.72%
Property/Liability/Small Claims		397,000	1.35%
Fixed Non Departmental		<u>1,440,600</u>	<u>4.89%</u>
Subtotal	\$	28,860,500	97.93%
VARIABLE COSTS			
Other Capital	\$	229,500	.78%
Other Non Departmental		260,000	.88%
Community Programs		<u>120,000</u>	<u>0.41%</u>
Subtotal	\$	<u>609,500</u>	<u>2.07%</u>
TOTAL	\$	29,470,000	100.00%

This charts shows the fixed and variable costs for the General Fund for the FY 2013-14 Budget.

FY 2013-14 Changes by Category
From FY 2012-13 Original Budget

FIXED COSTS	FY 13 Budget	FY 14 Budget	% Change
Personnel/Benefits	\$ 20,263,730	\$ 20,906,730	3.17%
Departmental Operations	4,902,800	4,882,000	-0.42%
Capital Leases	486,600	366,000	-24.78%
Grants	259,500	360,600	38.96%
OPEB/Unemployment Comp	509,270	507,570	-0.33%
Property/Liability/Small Claims	400,000	397,000	-0.75%
Fixed Non Departmental	<u>1,302,900</u>	<u>1,440,600</u>	<u>10.57%</u>
Subtotal	\$ 28,124,800	\$ 28,860,500	2.62%
VARIABLE COSTS			
Other Capital	\$ 111,200	\$ 229,500	106.38%
Other Non Departmental	844,000	260,000	-69.19%
Community Programs	<u>120,000</u>	<u>120,000</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
Subtotal	\$ 1,075,200	\$ 609,500	-43.31%
TOTAL	\$ 29,200,000	\$ 29,470,000	0.92%

This information reflects the variations between the current fiscal year and next year's proposed budget.

HOSPITALITY FUND

FY 2009-2014
Hospitality Fees Comparison

Fiscal Year	Collections	% Change
2009	2,800,739	0.06%
2010	2,841,585	1.46%
2011	2,926,340	2.98%
2012	3,092,529	5.68%
2013*	3,160,000	2.18%
2014*	3,210,000	1.58%
*2013 Estimated		
*2014 Budgeted		

The Hospitality Fund is one of the City's growth funds but it is also a restricted fund. State law limits the expenditure of hospitality funds to certain stated purposes.

<u>Hospitality Fund Revenues</u>	
Hospitality Fees	\$ 3,210,000
Interest Earnings	5,000
Grant Revenues – Bruce and Lee Foundation	<u>240,000</u>

FY 13-14 Hospitality Fund
Estimated Revenues \$ 3,455,000

The amount projected for FY 2013-14 is \$3,210,000. The \$240,000 is the last payment for the Tennis Center into the Hospitality Fund for the Bruce and Lee Foundation.

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Hospitality Fund Expenditures

Freedom Florence and Tennis Center Operations	\$	860,000
Economic Development Partnership Membership		55,500
Florence Museum		40,000
Florence Downtown Development Corporation		73,500
Florence Downtown Economic Development Incentives		80,000
Florence Downtown Promotions		30,000
Radio Drive/Veterans Park Debt Service		56,500
Tennis Center/Performing Arts Center Debt Service		990,000
Florence Historic District Street Lighting Operation		30,000
Kress Building Façade – FDDC		30,000
Florence Civic Center		1,172,100
Contingency		<u>37,400</u>

FY 13-14 Hospitality Fund Estimated Expenditures \$ **3,455,000**

\$860,000 is taken out of the Hospitality Fund to support Freedom Florence and the Tennis Center. This is allowed because \$900,000 in accommodations taxes are collected annually in Florence County.

Civic Center Funding

Expense Category		Amount
Debt Service	\$	617,100
Operations		375,000
Business Development (Marketing)		80,000
Capital Improvements		<u>100,000</u>
Total Funding	\$	1,172,100

Note: In FY 2012-13 the Civic Center also receives City Accommodations Tax in the amount of \$93,000 for advertising, marketing & promotions (\$84,000), and business and conference development (\$9,000).

The County's funding for the Civic Center is identical to the City's funding.

**Florence Downtown
Development Corporation
Funding**

Expense Category		Amount
Property Ownership Expenses (i.e., insurance, utilities repairs, etc.)	\$	45,000
Organizational Administration (i.e., printing, supplies, professional fees, etc.)		<u>28,500</u>
Total Funding	\$	73,500

This funding ensures that the Corporation is able to maintain its operations. The Corporation's activity downtown is very important relative to bringing community partners into the downtown and promoting downtown.

CDBG FUND

2013-14 CDBG Budget

CDBG funding can only be used to meet three national objectives: aid in the elimination of slum and blight; benefit to low-moderate income persons; and meeting a need having a particular urgency.

City staff held public meetings to receive input on the Community Development Block Grant funding at the following times and locations:

Date	Time	Location
March 4, 2013	6:30 p.m.	Wilson Road
March 5, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Williams Heights
March 13, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Levy Park Community Center
March 19, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Northwest Community Center
March 21, 2013	2:00 p.m.	City Council Chambers
April 8, 2013	1:00 p.m.	City Council Chambers

2013-14 CDBG Budget

Community requests included funding for:

- ▶ Additional lights in the neighborhoods
- ▶ Drainage issues
- ▶ Abandoned houses
- ▶ Dr. Iola Jones Park – Community center, shed, picnic tables
- ▶ Vacant lots

RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Expenditure Category	Amount
Planning & Administration	\$ 0
Recreation Improvements – Section 108 Loan	100,000
Emergency Rehabilitation	70,000
Sub-recipient (Pee Dee Transitional Shelter)	30,000
Vacant Lot Clearance (Any Additional Funding to be Added Here)	---
Total Funding	\$ 200,000

Community requests received during the public hearings far exceeded this year's available funding. Total funding for the fiscal year is projected to be \$200,000.

WATER & SEWER UTILITIES ENTERPRISE FUND

Water & Sewer Revenues by Source

Wastewater Fees & Charges	48%
Water Fees & Charges	45%
Other Revenue	7%

Water & Sewer Expenses by Department

Debt Service	\$	10,088,500	33%
Nondept/Const Fund Transfer		7,115,650	23%
Wastewater Treatment		3,864,680	13%
Utility Finance		1,832,990	6%
Surface Water Production		1,692,220	6%
Ground Water Production		1,794,430	6%
Distribution Ops		1,713,830	6%
Engineering		1,173,500	4%
Collection Ops		910,200	3%

This shows the expenses of the Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund by Departments.

WATER & SEWER UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION FUND

**FY 2013-14 Water & Sewer
Construction Fund Revenue**

Projected Funds on Hand on July 1, 2013	\$	1,192,000
FY 2013-14 Transfer from W/S Operating Fund		2,300,000
Projected Interest Earnings		25,000
Civic Center Water & Sewer Reimbursement		20,000
Florence County Infrastructure Fund Reimbursement		100,000
Total W/S Construction Fund Revenue	\$	3,637,000

FY 2013-14 W/S Construction Fund Projects

A. Projects Approved in Prior Year Budgets		
1. Savannah Grove Area Sewer Improvements	\$	40,000
2. TV Road Widening Utilities Relocation (SCDOT)		145,000
3. Country Creek Sewer Extension		10,000
4. N. Ebenezer Road Water Line Relocation (SCDOT)		110,000
5. Woody Jones Blvd/Radio Dr. Utilities Line Relocation		53,000
6. Surface Water Plant Intake Screen Repair		100,000
7. Oakdale Area Water Pressure Improvements		250,000
8. Civic Center W/S Service Connection for Campers		35,000
9. U.S. Hwy. 76 Widening Utilities Relocation (SCDOT)		15,000
10. Revision of Subdivision Code (UDO Development)		12,000
11. WWTP Contingency/Engineering		500,000
12. Jeffries Creek Beaver Management (SSO Compliance)		7,000
13. Downtown Utilities Relocation/Streetscapes		300,000
B. Projects Approved and Added in FY 2012-13		
1. Waterline Extension Requests – Florence County	\$	100,000
C. Proposed Projects for FY 2013-14		
1. Timmonsville Utilities Improvements	\$	400,000
2. U.S. Hwy. 51 Widening Utilities Relocation (SCDOT)		50,000
3. Gulley Branch Water Plant Rehabilitation		600,000
D. Other		
1. Utility Line Engineering/Legal/Professional Services	\$	150,000
2. Reserved for Other Projects		<u>760,000</u>
Total W/S Construction Fund Expenses	\$	3,637,000

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This is a list of scheduled improvements. Some were scheduled in the prior year's budgets and some are waiting on the DOT to occur. (See chart on Page 11.)

Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund

Stormwater Revenues by Source

Stormwater Fees	96%
Other Revenue	4%

Stormwater Expenses by Category

Operations	50%
Debt Service	25%
Nondept/Const Fund Transfer	25%

When this fund was created the City stated they would dedicate 50% of the fees to operations and 50% on debt service or new work.

Stormwater Utility Construction Fund

FY 2013-14 Stormwater Construction Fund Revenue

Projected Funds on Hand on July 1, 2013	\$	485,000
FY 2013-14 Transfer from Stormwater Operating Fund		132,000
Projected Interest Earnings		<u>5,000</u>
Total Stormwater Construction Fund Revenue	\$	622,000

It is anticipated there will be \$622,000 available for stormwater drainage projects with a transfer of \$132,000 and cash on hand of \$485,000.

FY 2013-14 Stormwater Construction Fund Projects

A. Projects Approved and/or Begun in Prior Years		
1. Stormwater Operations Division Pipe Projects	\$	10,000
2. End-of-Pipe Water Quality Enhancements Projects		5,000
3. Double-Barrel Pipe Repair (Behind Calvary Baptist)		10,000
4. Timrod Park Pipe Outfall Improvements		65,000
5. Williams Boulevard Outfall Improvements		115,000
6. NPDES Phase II Compliance		50,000
B. Other		
1. Reserved for Other Projects	\$	342,000
2. Stormwater Engineering/Legal/Professional Services		<u>25,000</u>
Total S/W Construction Fund Expenses	\$	622,000

This is a list of the stormwater construction projects for FY 2013-14. There will be \$342,000 reserved for other projects.

Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund

W/S Equipment Replacement Fund Budget by Department

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Utility Finance	\$ 15,200
Engineering	45,000
Wastewater Treatment Plant	160,000
Surface Water Production	18,000
Ground Water Production	80,000
Distribution Operations	<u>103,000</u>
W/S Capital Equipment Fund Total	\$ 421,200

One thing that staff is able to do with Utilities that cannot be done with the General Fund because the General Fund does not have the flexibility, is budget for equipment replacement every year. This is accomplished through a payment going into the equipment replacement fund from each department.

**Stormwater
Equipment Replacement Fund
Budget By Department**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Stormwater Operations	\$ <u>155,000</u>
Stormwater Capital Equipment Fund Total	\$ 155,000

The Stormwater Equipment Replacement Fund is funded the same way as the Water/Sewer Replacement Fund.

BILL NO. 2013-12 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014.

An Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014 was passed on first reading.

Mayor Pro tem Brand made a motion to pass Bill No. 2013-12 on first reading. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mayor Wukela stated there is a couple of items he would like to present to Council for discussion.

The first item relates to the USC Medical School Clinical Campus to be located in Florence. The total cost of the facility will be approximately \$15 million. The City has received a request to fund \$3 million towards the facility. Mayor Wukela stated it seemed there were two alternatives as to how to fund this request. One would be a millage increase and the other would be an alteration in how the City applies the Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) credit to the millage obligation. The LOST has been a robust source of revenue. Presently, 100% of the LOST proceeds are applied to the property tax obligation. If this is amended and those sales tax revenues are applied to this project, or some other source, that could be another way of funding this project. Preliminary review indicates that this change can be made with the passage of an Ordinance. Before any changes are proposed, staff would have the issue reviewed thoroughly and make sure it could be done legally.

Mayor Wukela requested staff to prepare an amendment to the budget with two alternative sources of revenue. One being a millage increase and the other being an adjustment to the LOST for Council's consideration of the amendment at the second reading of the budget ordinance.

Mayor Pro tem Brand agreed with funding the \$3 million for the facility but preferred it be accomplished through the LOST and not a millage increase.

Councilman Robinson stated he did not have a problem with this request and feels it is a good idea but stated neighborhood redevelopment must be considered. Councilman Robinson stated he is proposing a millage increase of \$8 million to be dedicated to neighborhood redevelopment.

Mr. Griffin responded that staff supports neighborhood redevelopment and a committee of Council has been appointed with Councilwoman Ervin serving as Chair to address this issue. Neighborhood redevelopment is a priority of the City and City staff. Finding the right methodology to answer the question of how to get reinvestment in the neighborhoods, will hopefully be the committee's focus.

Councilwoman Ervin feels the City needs a professional that has experience in neighborhood redevelopment to guide the City in this endeavor.

Mr. Griffin stated the next item on the agenda for discussion is PDRTA. PDRTA runs four City routes. Routes 1, 2, 3, and 4. Staff asked PDRTA to identify the most important City routes. They basically said Routes 1 and 2 are critically important as they are the routes from home to work. Routes 3 and 4 are average ridership routes where individuals go the doctor, school, DSS, etc. There is no question that transit is important to the City of Florence and is critically important to those who rely on transit. In many cases public transportation is the only way for these individuals to get to work, health care and to school. Included in the budget is \$50,000 above the original allocation of \$85,000 for PDRTA. Staff further recommends that Council consider allowing staff to work with Mr. McNeil and his staff at PDRTA, to coordinate the transit system inside the City to help better the system. The additional \$50,000 would fund Routes 1 and 2 and part of Route 3.

Councilman Willis stated that some members of Council have discussed decreasing their travel budget to a lower amount and applying those funds to PDRTA. Councilman Willis recommended that Council talk among themselves and come up with a figure.

Mayor Wukela stated that he supported this recommendation and would like to see Council reduce their travel budget by 50%. This would generate approximately \$16,000 and would complete funding for Route 3. Also, in the event that this budget amendment is made for PDRTA, Mayor Wukela would like for Mr. McNeil to submit a report showing where the funds are being expended and confirming that the funds are being expended on City routes.

Mr. Griffin stated that the last item on the agenda for discussion is the Animal Shelter. Mr. Griffin presented an accounting of how much money is being spent on the Animal Shelter. The City is spending \$400,000 on the Animal Shelter with \$83,000 being spent on the humane side of the issue. The premise of the agreement proposed with the Animal Shelter, was the City would maintain the building and all the costs associated with the building to include salaries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Willis made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the existence and contents of the Animal Shelter agreement. Mayor Pro tem Brand seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Council entered into Executive Session at 4:53 p.m.

ADJOURN

Mayor Pro tem Brand made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:07 p.m. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2013.

Dianne M. Rowan, Municipal Clerk

Stephen. J. Wukela, Mayor

**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013 - 1:00 P.M.
CITY-COUNTY COMPLEX, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 604
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Wukela called the regular meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. with the following members present: Councilman Robby L. Hill; Councilwoman Teresa Myers Ervin; Mayor Pro tem Buddy Brand (arrived at 1:37 p.m.) ; Councilwoman Octavia Williams-Blake and Councilman Glynn F. Willis.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Drew Griffin, City Manager; Mrs. Dianne M. Rowan, Municipal Clerk; Mr. James W. Peterson, Jr., City Attorney; Phillip Lookadoo, Director of Urban Planning, Research and Development; Thomas Chandler, Director of Finance; Michael Hemingway, Director of Utilities; Ray Reich, Downtown Development Manager; Chuck Pope, Director of Public Works; Scotty Davis, Director of General Services; and Chief Randy Osterman, Florence Fire Department.

Notice of the date, time and location of the meeting was provided to the media and those individuals requesting copies of the City Council agenda.

Mr. John Sweeney of the Morning News was present for the meeting.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Teresa Myers Ervin gave the invocation for the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Willis made a motion to adopt the minutes of the March 28, 2013 Budget Worksession, the April 8, 2013 Regular Meeting and the April 15, 2013 Special Meeting. Councilwoman Williams-Blake seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

Service Recognitions

Mayor Wukela recognized the following employees for their years of service:

Larry Blackmon – 25 years – Police Department
John Mark Calhoun – 25 years – Police Department
Stephen Norton – 10 years – Stormwater
Stephen Wallace – 10 years – Parks and Beautification

APPEARANCE BEFORE COUNCIL

MS. TIA BRADLEY, MS. COURTNEY MURPHY, MS. CHERYL MCRAE AND MS. LURLINE JERRY – S. C. YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAM

Ms. Tia Bradley spoke to Council regarding the S.C. Youth Advocate Program. SCYAP is a private, non-profit advocacy organization serving children and families in South Carolina since 1990. The Program serves special needs and difficult to place youth by providing a wide range of direct therapeutic services to meet the needs of children and families.

Resolution No. 2013-11, a Resolution to declare the month of May as Foster Care Month, was read by Mayor Wukela.

Councilwoman Williams-Blake made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2013-11. Councilwoman Ervin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MS. ROSEMARY BARILLE, PEE DEE MENTAL HEALTH

Ms. Barille spoke to Council regarding the Mental Health Walk that will take place on Wednesday, May 15th. Ms. Barille invited Council to participate in the upcoming walk.

Also, Ms. Kathy Lance-Timmons, Director of Community Support Services and Ms. Vicky Redding, Director of Employment Programs, spoke to Council regarding the different programs offered through the Pee Dee Mental Health Center.

PUBLIC HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS ON THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014.

Mayor Wukela opened the public hearing at 1:26 p.m.

Mr. Jack Davis spoke to Council on behalf of the riders of the PDRTA. Mr. Davis outlined the importance of this service to the citizens of Florence. PDRTA provides transportation to and from work, doctor's appointments, grocery shopping and numerous other places. Mr. Davis thanked Council for their funding of the PDRTA.

There was no one else present to speak to Council regarding the budget.

Mayor Wukela declared the public hearing closed at 1:29 p.m.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION

BILL NO. 2013- 04 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT TO CROWN CASTLE NG EAST INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT, POWER, AND AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, MAINTAIN, AND OPERATE IN, OVER, UPON AND UNDER THE STREETS AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, ITS LINES, POLES, WIRES, CABLES, AND OTHER TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES TO RENDER TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TO ITS CUSTOMERS IN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE FOR SUCH PERIOD AS PROVIDED HEREIN; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR THE USE OF THE STREETS AND PUBLIC PLACES.

An Ordinance to grant to Crown Castle, NG East Inc., its successors and assigns, the right, power, and authority to construct, install, maintain, and operate in, over, upon and under the streets and public places of the City of Florence, its lines, poles, wires, cables, and other telecommunications facilities to render telecommunications services to its customers in the corporate limits of the City of Florence for such period as provided herein; and to provide for the payment of compensation for the use of the streets and public places was adopted on second reading.

Mayor Wukela stated this is a request for the use of the public right-of-way for the purpose of placing telecommunications devices and is required under the franchise laws of the State.

Councilman Willis made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2013-04 on second reading. Councilman Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

BILL NO. 2013-05 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE PROPERTY OWNED BY FLORENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE.

An Ordinance to annex and zone property owned by Florence School District One was adopted on second reading.

Councilwoman Williams-Blake made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2013-05 on second reading. Councilwoman Ervin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

BILL NO. 2013-06 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF FLORENCE.

An Ordinance to annex and zone property owned by the City of Florence was adopted on second reading.

Councilwoman Williams-Blake made a motion to second Bill No. 2013-06 on second reading. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

BILL NO. 2013-07 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF FLORENCE LAND DEVELOPMENT AND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE IN ORDER TO REESTABLISH THE CITY'S VESTED RIGHTS ORDINANCE WHICH, AS A RESULT OF CLERICAL ERROR, WAS INADVERTENTLY OMITTED FROM ORDINANCE NO. 2007-39.

An Ordinance to amend the City of Florence Land Development and Subdivision Ordinance in order to reestablish the City's Vested Rights Ordinance which, as a result of clerical error, was inadvertently omitted from Ordinance No. 2007-39 was adopted on second reading.

Councilman Hill made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2013-07 on second reading. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

BILL NO. 2013-08 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF FLORENCE ZONING ORDINANCE SECTION 8.7, CERTIFICATES OF ZONING COMPLIANCE – WHEN REQUIRED AND SECTION 8.8, CERTIFICATES OF ZONING COMPLIANCE – REPAIR PERMITS.

An Ordinance to amend the City of Florence Zoning Ordinance Section 8.7, Certificates of Zoning Compliance – When Required and Section 8.8, Certificates of Zoning Compliance – Repair Permits was adopted on second reading.

Councilwoman Williams-Blake made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2013-08 on second reading. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

BILL NO. 2013-09 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PARCEL CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 23.4 ACRES AND DESIGNATED AS TAX MAP 00178-01-001 IN THE RECORDS OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR.

An Ordinance authorizing the transfer of parcel containing approximately 23.4 acres and designated as Tax Map 00178-01-001 in the records of the Florence County Tax Assessor was adopted on second reading.

Mayor Wukela stated that this is the Stockade property that formerly housed the old Humane Society facility. Council previously declared this property as surplus and the conveyance of the property is to the Friends of the Florence Stockade. The consideration for this conveyance was the grant which was made by the Bruce and Lee Foundation for the construction of the new Animal Shelter.

Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2013-09 on second reading. Councilman Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

BILL NO. 2013-11 – FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE TAX MAP NUMBER 00180-01-010, FROM R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND RU-1, RURAL COMMUNITY DISTRICT TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

An Ordinance to rezone Tax Map Number 00180-01-010, from R-1, Single-Family Residential District and RU-1, Rural Community District to R-3, Single-Family Residential District was passed on first reading.

Mr. Phillip Lookadoo reported that this request is currently split-zoned as R-1 and RU-1. The applicant is requesting to rezone only 17.35 acres of the 38 acre tract to R-3. The first few feet of the tract would remain zoned as R-1 and would be part of the Spring Haven Subdivision. The rezoning of the property does meet the purpose of the Future Land Use Map, which is Neighborhood Conservation designation. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on this request at their meeting of April 9, 2013 and voted unanimously, 5-0, to approve the request.

Councilman Willis made a motion to pass Bill No. 2013-11 on first reading. Councilman Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-11

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE MONTH OF MAY AS FOSTER CARE MONTH.

A Resolution to declare the month of May as Foster Care Month was adopted by Council.

Councilwoman Williams-Blake made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2013-11. Councilwoman Ervin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Mayor Pro tem Brand was not present for the vote.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-12

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A MUNICIPAL STATE HIGHWAY PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECT AT NORTH VISTA ELEMENARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE.

A Resolution to establish a Municipal State Highway Project Agreement for the Safe Routes to School Project at North Vista Elementary School in the City of Florence was adopted by Council.

Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2013-12. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

(Mayor Pro tem Brand arrived at 1:37 p.m.)

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-13

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014.

A Resolution to adopt the Community Development Block Grant for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 was adopted by Council.

Mr. Scotty Davis stated that the City would receive approximately \$200,000 in Community Development Block Grant Funding for FY 2013-2014.

The recommended budget provides funding for projects in each of CDBG targeted areas of North Florence, West Florence, and East Florence. The recommended projects are as follows:

-Housing Rehabilitation	\$	70,000
-Funding for the Pee Dee Transitional Shelter	\$	30,000
-Debt service on the Section 108 loan, which was used to make improvements to Levy Park and the Barnes Street Facility	\$	100,000

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

TO DISCUSS AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR THE CITY OR A PRIVATE EMPLOYER TO MAKE INQUIRIES REGARDING AN ARREST OR CRIMINAL ACCUSATION IN THE INITIAL EMPLOYMENT OF THAT PERSON.

Councilman Robinson explained that the proposed bill would not allow a potential employer to ask a potential employee if he has had a criminal record check until the end of the application process. This would give a potential employee a chance to explain themselves and the circumstances relating to the arrest or being convicted of some particular crime. 43 cities across the United States have adopted this policy.

Councilman Robinson presented this report to Council as information and asked that it be reviewed to see if changes can be made in the employment process. Councilman Robinson would like a revised document presented to Council at the June Council meeting for a vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro tem Brand made a motion to enter into Executive Session to receive legal advice regarding Bill No. 2013-10. Councilwoman Ervin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Council entered into Executive Session at 2:30 p.m.

Mayor Wukela reconvened the Regular Meeting at 3:23 p.m.

Mayor Wukela reported that extensive contractual and legal matters were discussed in Executive Session pertaining to the Animal Shelter.

Councilman Hill made a motion to instruct the city staff to bring discussions regarding the operation of the Animal Shelter to a conclusion by no later than July 1, 2013 in accordance with the discussions in Executive Session. Councilwoman Ervin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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ADJOURN

Mayor Pro tem Brand made a motion to adjourn the meeting. There was no objection.
The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Dated this 10th day of June, 2013.

Dianne M. Rowan, Municipal Clerk

Stephen J. Wukela, Mayor

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 13, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: First Reading, Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

Request to rezone Tax Map Number 00180-01-010, from R-1, Single-Family Residential District and RU-1, Rural Community District to R-3, Single-Family Residential District.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On April 9, 2013, Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter. The Planning Commissioners voted unanimously, 5-0, to approve the request.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. The property is currently split zoned R-1 and RU-1.
2. The applicant requests to rezone only 17.35 acres of the 38 acre tract to R-3.
3. The first few feet of the tract would still be zoned R-1.
4. The rezoned property would be part of the Spring Haven Subdivision.
5. Rezoning the property does meet the purpose of the Future Land Use Map, Neighborhood Conservation.

IV. OPTIONS

City Council may:

1. Approve the request as presented based on the information submitted.
2. Defer the request should additional information be needed.
3. Suggest other alternatives
4. Deny the request.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance



Phillip M. Lookadoo, AICP
Planning, Research & Development Director

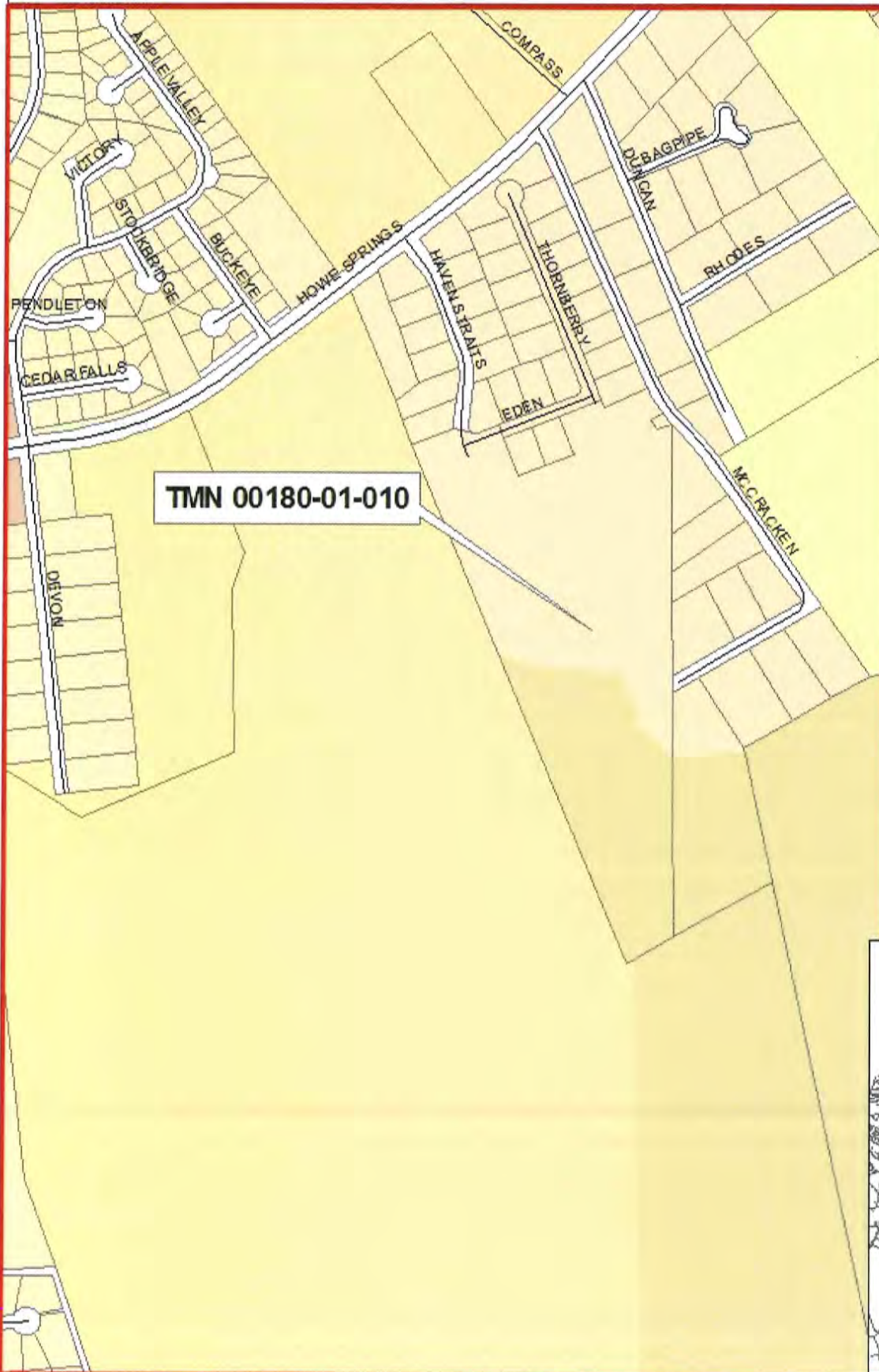


Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

Future Land Use Map



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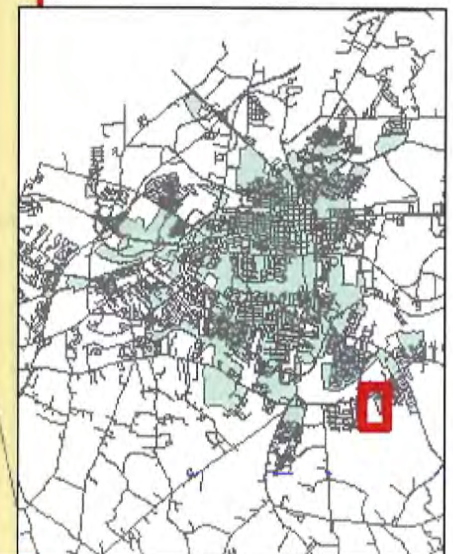


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- Parcels
- Rural
- Neighborhood Conservation
- Residential Estate
- Residential Sub-Urban
- Residential Auto-Urban
- Residential Transition
- Residential Urban
- Sub-Urban Commercial
- Auto-Urban Commercial
- Central Business District
- Business Parks
- Industrial
- Public and Institutional
- Parks and Open Space



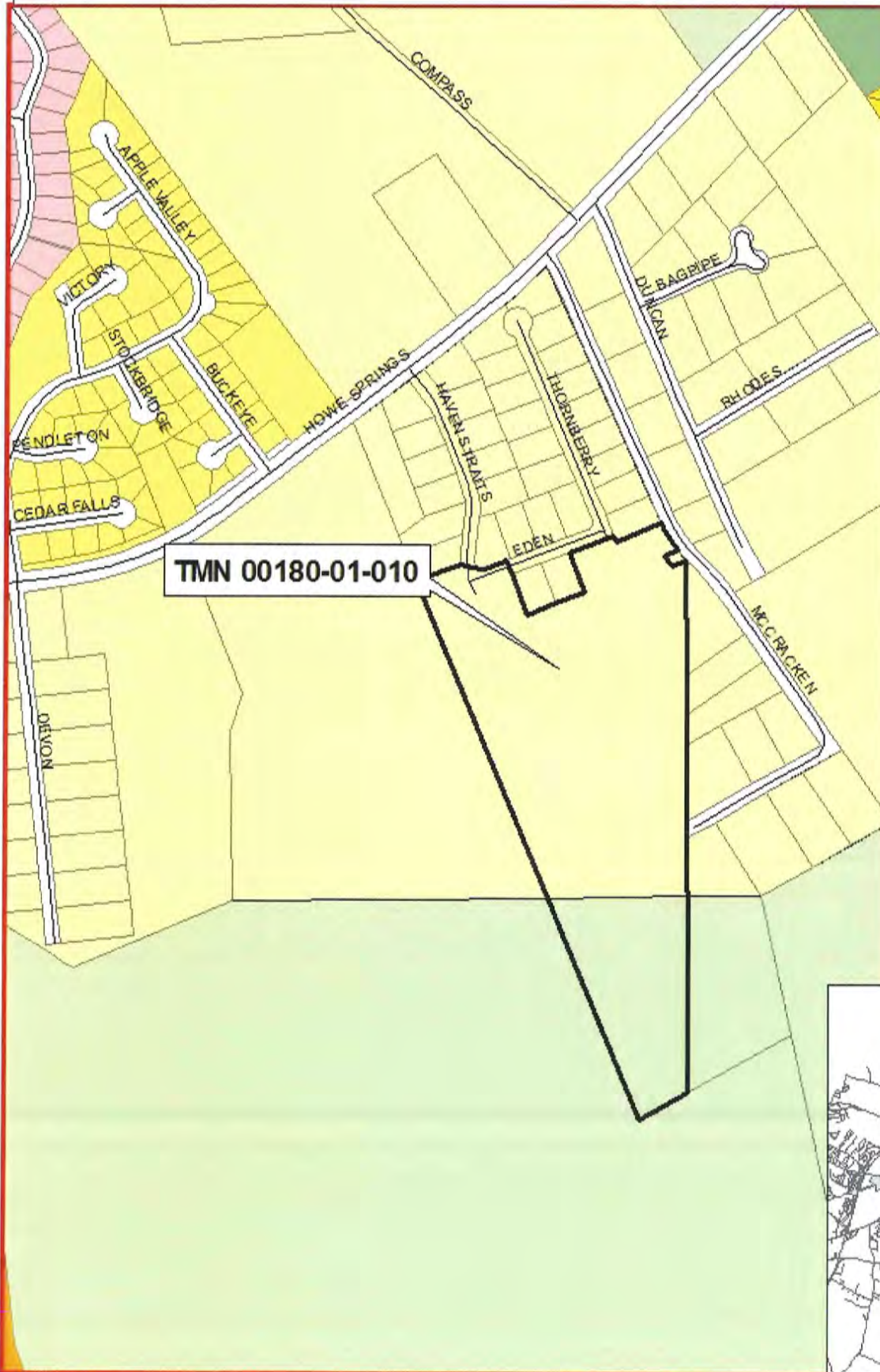
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ZONING MAP



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Legend

- Road Segment
- Parcels

Zoning

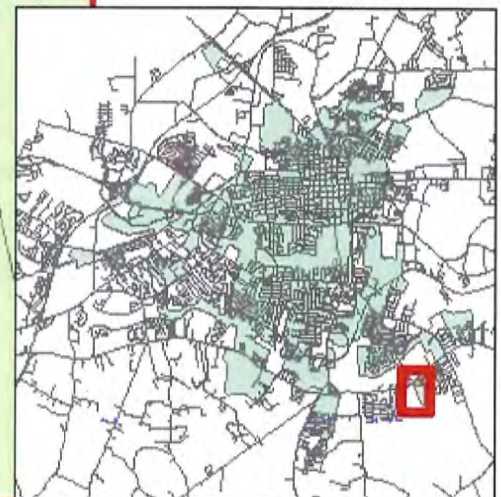
ZONE CODE

- B-1, LIMITED
- B-2, CONVENIENCE
- B-3, GENERAL
- B-4, CENTRAL
- B-5, OFFICE-LIGHT INDUSTRIAL
- B-6, INDUSTRIAL
- PD, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT
- R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY, LARGE LOTS
- R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY, MEDIUM LOTS
- R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY, SMALL LOTS
- R-4, MULTI-FAMILY, LIMITED
- R-5, MULTI-FAMILY
- RU-1, COMMUNITY
- RU-2, RESOURCE
- UNZONED



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ORDINANCE NO. 2013-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE TAX MAP NUMBER 00180-01-010, FROM R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND RU-1, RURAL COMMUNITY DISTRICT TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT:

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held in Room 604 of the City-County Complex on April 9, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission and notice of said hearing was duly given;

WHEREAS, Southbrook Properties, LLC made application to rezone Tax Map Number 00180-01-010, located off of Haven Straits and McCracken Drive, from R-1, Single-Family Residential District and RU-1, Rural Community District to R-3, Single-Family Residential District;

WHEREAS, the rezoning request was made for developing a single-family residential subdivision;

WHEREAS, Florence City Council concurs in the aforesaid application, findings and recommendations:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:

1. That an Ordinance is hereby adopted by amending the Zoning Atlas of the City of Florence for the aforesaid property to R-3, Single-Family Residential District.
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence and posting of this amendment in the official Zoning Atlas.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Stephen J. Wukela,
Mayor

Attest:

Dianne M. Rowan
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: May 3, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: FY 2013-14 Budget Ordinance – First Reading

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Finance

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

Adoption of Fiscal Year 2013 -14 Budgets for the City of Florence.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN

The FY 2013-14 budget process began in January and continued through April with the preparation of revenue estimates, wages and benefits data development, the submission of departmental budget requests, and departmental budget meetings with the City Manager. A council work session was held on March 28, 2013 to review budget related issues.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

The General Fund, General Fund Debt Service Fund, Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, Stormwater Enterprise Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities Construction Fund, Stormwater Utility Construction Fund, Water and Sewer Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund, Stormwater Utility Equipment Replacement Fund, and the Hospitality Fund budgets for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, recommended for adoption by the City Council are enclosed for your review.

IV. OPTIONS

Adoption of the budgets.
Modification of the budgets as presented.

III. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

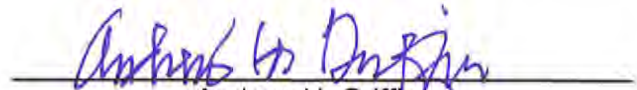
Adoption of the budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

Budget ordinance and detailed proposed budgets.



Thomas W. Chandler
Finance Director



Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2013- _____

AN ORDINANCE TO RAISE REVENUE AND ADOPT A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014.

WHEREAS, § 5-7-260 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended) requires that a Municipal Council shall act by ordinance to adopt budgets and levy taxes pursuant to public notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Florence in Council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

Section 1

- (a) There is hereby adopted a General Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$29,470,000.
- (b) Further, there is hereby adopted a General Fund Debt Service Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the city Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$421,600.
- (c) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Enterprise Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$30,186,000.
- (d) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Enterprise Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$1,340,000
- (e) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Construction Fund budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$3,637,000
- (f) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Construction budget for the City of Florence for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein, providing for revenues and appropriations in a total amount of \$622,000.

Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget Ordinance (continued)

- (g) Further, there is hereby adopted a Water and Sewer Utilities Equipment Replacement Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$421,200
- (h) Further, there is hereby adopted a Stormwater Utility Equipment Replacement Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$155,000
- (i) Further, there is hereby adopted a Hospitality Fund budget for the City of Florence for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, as filed in the office of the City Clerk which is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth fully herein providing for revenues and appropriations in the total amount of \$3,455,000. Authorized as part of this ordinance and incorporated into the Hospitality Fund budget is a commitment by the City of Florence to contribute to operations and maintenance costs of the Florence County Museum for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, and for future fiscal years as defined in the Memorandum of Understanding Between Florence County and the City of Florence dated April 25, 2013.

Section 2

Subject to the provisions and requirements of § 6-1-320 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended), a tax for general operating purposes for the period from July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, for the sums and in the amount hereinafter mentioned, is and shall be levied, collected and paid into the treasury of the City of Florence for the operational use and service thereof. A tax of fifty three and seven-tenths (53.7) mills upon each one dollar (\$1.00) in value of real estate and personal property of every description owned and used in the City of Florence, South Carolina, is and shall be levied and paid into the City treasury for the credit to the City of Florence for the corporate purposes, improvements, and for the purpose of paying current operating expenses of said municipality. Such a tax is levied on such property as is assessed for taxation for County and State purposes.

Section 3

Subject to the provisions and requirements of § 6-1-320 of the South Carolina Code of Laws (as amended), a tax for general obligation bond indebtedness for the period from July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, for the sums and in the amount hereinafter mentioned, is and shall be levied, collected and paid into the treasury of the City of Florence for the purpose of meeting general obligation bond debt service requirements. A tax of up to, but not exceeding, four (4.0) mills upon each one dollar (\$1.00) in value of real estate and personal property of every description owned and used in the City of Florence, South Carolina, is and shall be levied and paid into the City treasury for the credit to the City of Florence for the purpose of providing for and paying general obligation bond debt of the

Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget Ordinance (continued)

municipality. Such a tax is levied on such property as is assessed for taxation for County and State purposes.

Section 4

The City Manager shall administer the budget and may authorize the transfer of appropriate funds within and between departments as necessary to achieve the goals of the budget. The City Manager is authorized to assign fund balance intended to be used for specific purposes.

Section 5

If for any reason, any sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, such shall not affect the remaining provisions thereof.

Section 6

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, insofar as the same affect this Ordinance.

Section 7

That this Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2013.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Stephen J. Wukela
Mayor

Attest:

Dianne M. Rowan
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

VI. a.
Bill No. 2013-13
First Reading

DATE: June 3, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Bill No. 2013-013 - An ordinance to regulate businesses by enacting a new chapter in the city of Florence Code of Ordinances to establish provisions and requirements for the screening of criminal records by employers within the City of Florence

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Councilman Robinson

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

This Ordinance, which is patterned after an Ordinance enacted by the City of Philadelphia, PA, would result in the City establishing regulations which limit the obtaining and use of information regarding arrests and convictions in the employment process in an effort to make sure that such information is not improperly used by the City or employers within the City to accomplish the following goals:

- a. To assist the successful reintegration of formerly-incarcerated people back into the community by removing barriers to gainful employment after their release from jail/prison;
- b. To enhance the health and security of the community by assisting people with criminal/arrest records to provide for their families and themselves; and
- c. To ensure that, within the City of Florence, just and fair measures are implemented and practiced when screening and identifying persons who may or may not have criminal records.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

a. Councilman Robinson previously provided Council with information regarding this proposal, including language for a proposed ordinance, and Council discussed this during a Report to Council at the Meeting on May 13, 2013.

b. The attached Ordinance contains the same language previously discussed, is based upon the Philadelphia Ordinance, and has been altered only to the extent needed to place it into the proper format for our ordinances.

c. This Ordinance is being presented by Councilman Robinson for First Reading.

III. OPTIONS

- a. Approve the Ordinance on First Reading
- b. Defer the request should additional information be needed.
- c. Suggest other alternatives to accomplish the same goals.
- d. Defeat the Ordinance on First Reading.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

- a. Proposed Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BUSINESSES BY ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER IN THE CITY OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SCREENING OF CRIMINAL RECORDS BY EMPLOYERS WITHIN THE CITY OF FLORENCE.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Florence, South Carolina, hereby finds and determines:

- a. Persons with criminal records suffer from pervasive discrimination in many areas of life-employment housing, education, and eligibility for many forms of social benefits: and
- b. As of 2000, more than 70 million people nationwide had criminal records and are reported to experience lifelong discrimination because of their past convictions, and Florence has a high corrections population because of their past convictions; and
- c. As of 2000 there have been approximately 35,000 arrest within the city of Florence of which approximately 60% are because recidivism: and
- d. The percentage of people of color arrested and convicted both local and nationwide exceed the percentage of their representation in the population as a whole, which disproportionately impacts their lives, families and communities; and
- e. Criminal background checks by employers have increased at a record rate, with a vast majority of employers in the U.S. now screening their workers for criminal records; and
- f. Formerly-incarcerated people represents a group of job-seekers, ready to contribute and add to the work force; and
- g. Lack of employment is a significant cause of recidivism; people who employed are significantly less likely to be re-arrested; and
- h. Obstacles to employment for people with criminal records and other barriers to re-entry are creating permanent members of an underclass that threatens the health of the community and undermines public safety.

- i. This Legislation concerns a sensitive and highly controversial subject, and should not be construed to require an employer to hire someone with a criminal record, nor to limit an employer's ability to choose the most qualified and appropriate application for the employment opportunity at hand.
- j. This legislation is intended to give the individual with a criminal/arrest record an opportunity to be judged on his or her own merit during the submission of the application and at least until the completion of one interview.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED, AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF THAT CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY CODE IS HEREBY AMENDED TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE IX WHICH SHALL READ IN ITS ENTIRETY AS FOLLOWS:

Article IX Limitations on Inquiry Concerning Criminal Record During The Employment Process

Sec. 13-140 It is the intent and purpose of this Chapter:

- a. To assist the successful reintegration of formerly-incarcerated people back into the community by removing barriers to gainful employment after their release from jail/prison;
- b. To enhance the health and security of the community by assisting people with criminal/arrest records to provide for their families and themselves; and
- c. To ensure that, within the City of Florence, just and fair measures are implemented and practiced when screening and identifying persons who may or may not have criminal records.

Sec. 13-141 Definitions.

As used in this Chapter this Chapter the following terms have the following meanings:

- a. "Applicant" means any person considered or who requests to be considered for employment by an employer

b. "City agency" means the city, or any City department, agency, board or commission.

c. "Conviction" shall mean any sentence arising from a verdict or plea of guilty or nolo contendere, including a sentence of incarceration, a suspended sentence, a sentence of probation or a sentence of unconditional discharge.

d. "Employment" means any occupation, vocation, job, work for pay or employment, including temporary or seasonal work, contracted work, contingent work and work through the services of a temporary or other employment agency; or any form of vocational or educational training with or without pay. "Employment" shall not, for the purpose of this Chapter, include membership in any law enforcement agency.

e. "Inquiry" means any direct or indirect conduct intended to gather information, using any mode of communication.

f. "Interview" means any direct contact by the employer with the applicant, whether in person or by telephone, to discuss the employment being sought or the applicant's qualifications.

g. "Criminal Justice Agency" means any, court including the minor judiciary, with criminal jurisdiction or any other governmental agency, or subunit thereof, created by statute or by the state or Federal constitutions, specifically authorized to perform as its principal function the administration of criminal justice, and which allocates a substantial portion of its annual budget to such function; and agencies whose principal function relates to the administration of criminal justice, including but not limited to organized State and municipal police departments, local detention facilities, correctional facilities, probation agencies, district or prosecuting attorneys, parole boards, pardon boards and public agencies that provide care, guidance and control to adjudicated delinquents.

h. "License" means any certificate, license, permit, authorization or grant of permission required by the City as a condition for the lawful practice of any occupation, employment, trade, vocation, business, or profession. "License" shall not for the purpose of this Chapter, include any license, authorization or permit to own, possess, carry, or fire any explosive, pistol, handgun, rifle, shotgun, or other firearm.

i. "Private employer" means any person, company, corporation, labor organization or association which employs ten or more persons within the City of Florence. It includes job placement and referral agencies and other employment agencies.

Sec. 13-142 Prohibition Against Unfair Discrimination Against Persons Previously Arrested For One Or More Criminal Offenses.

a. In connection with the licensing or employment of any person, it shall be an unlawful discriminatory practice of a City agency or private employer to knowingly and intentionally make any inquiry about or to take any adverse action against any person on the basis of any arrest or criminal accusation made against such person, which is not then pending against that person and which did not result in a conviction. It shall further be an unlawful discriminatory practice for a City agency or private employer to require any person to disclose or reveal any arrest or criminal accusation made against such person which is not then pending against that person and which did not result in a conviction.

Sec.13-143 Prohibition Against Unfair Discrimination Against Persons Previously Convicted For One Or More Criminal Offenses.

a. In connection with licensing or employment of any person, it shall be an unlawful discriminatory practice for a City agency or private employer to make any inquiry regarding or to require any person to disclose or reveal any criminal convictions during the application process. The application process shall begin when the applicant inquires about

the employment bent sought and shall end when an employer has accepted an employment application.

b. It shall further be an unlawful discriminatory practice for a City agency or private employer to make any inquiry regarding, or to require any person to disclose or reveal any criminal convictions against such person before and during the first interview. If an employer does not conduct an interview, that employer is prohibited from making any inquires or gathering any information regarding the applicant's criminal convictions. If the applicant voluntarily discloses any information regarding his or her criminal conviction at the interview, the employer may discuss the criminal conviction disclosed by the applicant.

Sec. 13-144 Exemptions.

a. The prohibitions of this Chapter shall not apply if the inquires or adverse actions prohibited herein are specifically authorized by any other applicable law.

b. The prohibitions of this Chapter shall not apply to a Criminal Justice Agency as defined herein.

c. Nothing in this Chapter shall modify or waive the requirements and limitations on the use of criminal records in Florence.

Sec. 13-145 Enforcement.

a. The City Manager shall designate the appropriate city department to administer and enforce this Chapter.

b. Each violation of this Chapter shall constitute a "Class III" offense and any person who violates this Chapter shall be subject to a fine as set forth under "Class III" offenses.

Sec. 13-146 Fair Criminal Record Screening Advisory Screening Advisory Committee.

a. Establishment. The City Council hereby calls upon the City Manager to establish a nine (9) person committee entitled the "The Criminal Record Screening Advisory Committee" the purpose of which shall be to review the implementation and effectiveness of this Chapter and to make recommendations to the City Council regarding this Chapter.

b. Members. The Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members, one (1) each by each Council member, one (1) by the City Manager, and of the eight shall appoint one (1) other to be Chairperson. The appointees shall consist of: two (2) that have arrest/criminal records, two (2) from the business community, two (2) from general public, one (1) minister, and the other two, shall be the committee appointee and City Manager's appointee, no restrictions

c. Meetings: The committee shall meet at least quarterly. All meetings shall be open to the public and will allow for public testimony on policies or conduct relating to this Chapter.

Sec. 13-147 Severability.

If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance, is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such a decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance irrespective of the unconstitutionality of invalidity of any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase.

Sec. 13-148 Effective Date.

After its approval and adoption on by City Council with two readings, this Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2014.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Stephen J. Wukela
Mayor

Attest:

Dianne M. Rowan
Municipal Clerk

CITY OF FLORENCE COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance
First Reading

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Department of Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Request to annex Tax Map Number 17518-01-001, into the City of Florence and zone to R-4, Multi-Family Residential District. The request is being made by the property owner, Bonita Glover.

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) City water and sewer services are currently available; there is no cost to extend utility services.
- (3) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the May 14, 2013 Planning Commission meeting. No one was present to voice concerns or support the request.
- (4) Planning Commission members voted 8-0 to recommend the zoning request of R-4, Multi-Family Residential District.
- (5) City Staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property R-4, Multi-Family Residential District.

III. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

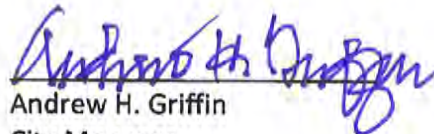
- (1) No previous action has been taken by City Council on this request.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

- (1) Ordinance and map showing the location of the property.

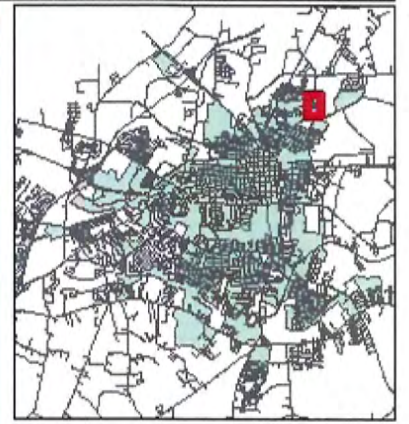


Phillip M. Lookadoo, AICP
Planning, Research, & Development Director



Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

Annexation Request Location Map



Legend

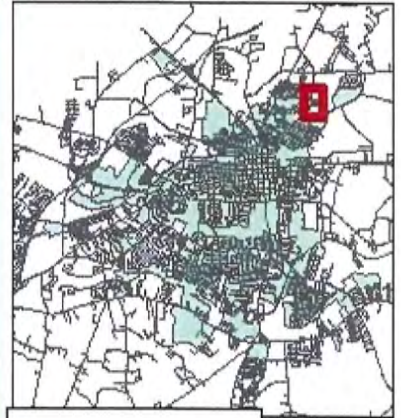
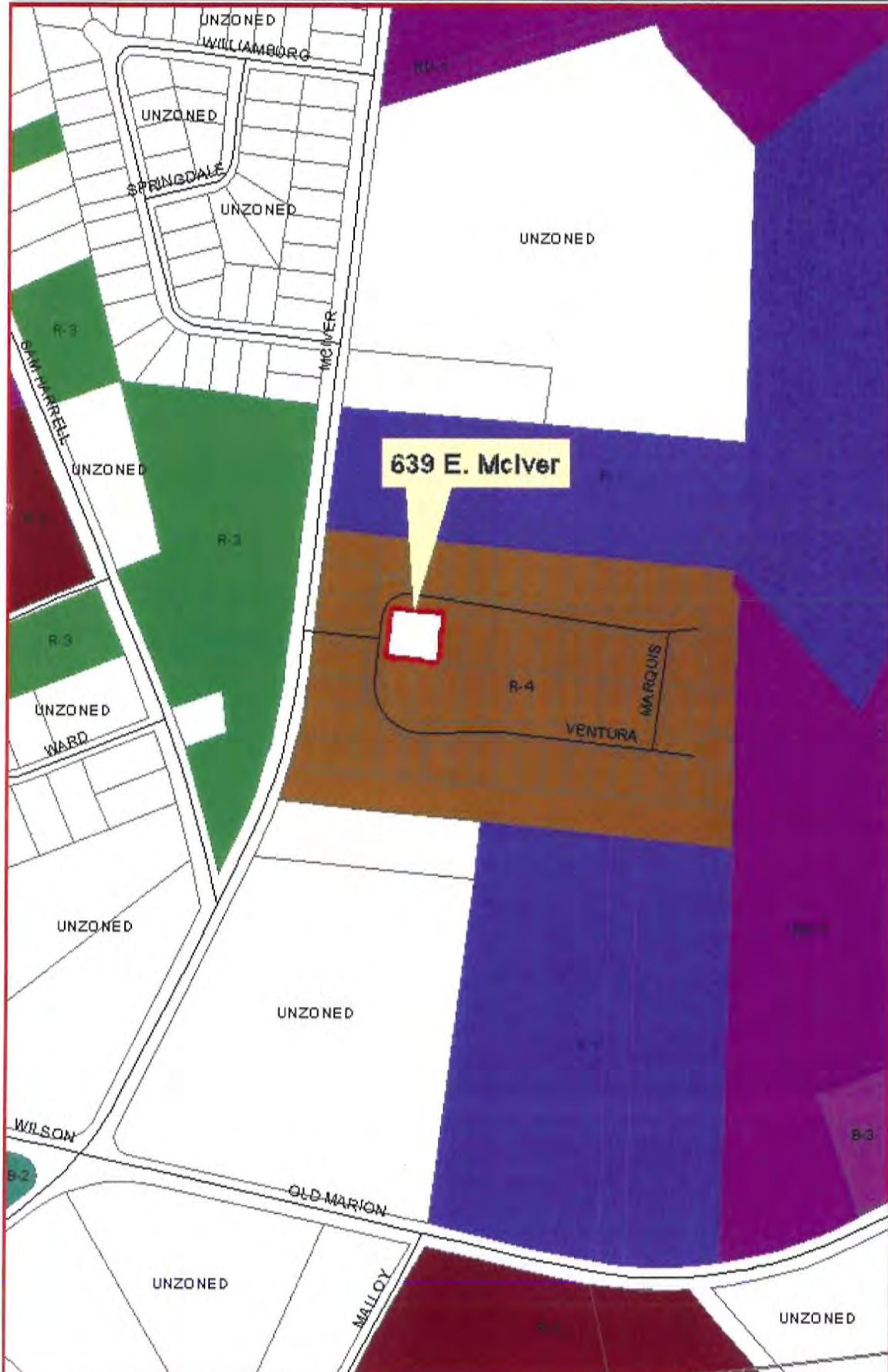
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Current Zoning

TMN: 17518-01-001



Legend

- Road Segment
- Parcels

Zoning

ZONE CODE

- B-1
- B-2
- B-3
- B-4
- B-5
- B-6
- PD
- R-1
- R-2
- R-3
- R-3A
- R-4
- R-5
- RU-1
- RU-2



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ORDINANCE NO. 2013 _____

AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE PROPERTY OWNED BY BONITA GLOVER.

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held in Room 603 of the City-County Complex on May 14, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission and notice of said hearing was duly given;

WHEREAS, an application by Bonita Glover, owner of TMN 17518-01-001 was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid properties be incorporated in the city limits of the City of Florence under the provisions of **Section 5-3-150(3) of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina** and adding the zoning district classification of R-4, Multi-Family Residential District:

The properties requesting annexation are shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 17518, block 01, parcel 001. (0.81 Acres)

Any portions of public rights-of-way abutting the above described property will be also included in the annexation.

WHEREAS, Florence City Council concur in the aforesaid application, findings and recommendations:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:

1. That an Ordinance is hereby adopted by amending the Zoning Atlas of the City of Florence and annexing the aforesaid properties to R-4, Multi-Family Residential District and incorporating them into the City Limits of the City of Florence
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence and posting of this amendment in the official Zoning Atlas.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013

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Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Stephen J. Wukela,
Mayor

Attest:

Dianne Rowan
Municipal Clerk

VI. c.
Bill No. 2013-15
First Reading

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013
AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance -- First Reading
DEPARTMENT: City Council/Finance/City Manager

ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION: An Ordinance to amend ordinance 94-03 to provide for the adjustment of the portion of the local option sales tax collected used as a credit against the property tax.

CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

1. On January 10, 1994, City Council passed an Ordinance providing a credit of 100% of the LOST revenues for property tax relief to the citizens of the City of Florence.
2. Recently the City received a request from a group led by Francis Marion University for a commitment from the City amounting to \$3,000,000 to be used to acquire property and to assist in the construction of a third and fourth year medical school in the downtown area of Florence.
3. In addition, the City identified a critical need to invest and create a plan for the redevelopment of neighborhoods within the City that are either struggling and/or blighted. This neighborhood redevelopment strategy shall be a model that can be applied to all neighborhoods within the City.
4. In a budget work session, City Council expressed a desire to fund both projects and determined that the best funding mechanism available to the City for these two projects is an adjustment to the local option sales tax credit program.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

1. The City shall use the funds for the exclusive purposes described below:
 - a. For the first three years said revenues will be utilized to raise the amount of \$3,000,000 for the purpose of providing incentive funding to encourage and facilitate the location of a third and fourth year medical school facility in the downtown area.
 - b. For the next three years said revenues will be utilized to fund neighborhood redevelopment principally within struggling or blighted neighborhoods within the City.
2. The City shall at the end of the six year period specifically address the future use of the funds derived from the County/Municipality Revenue Fund.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff supports the projects as proposed as being in the best interest of the City of Florence.

ATTACHMENT: Copy of the Ordinance to amend Ordinance 94-03.


Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-_____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 94-03 TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE PORTION OF THE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX COLLECTED USED TO AS A CREDIT AGAINST THE PROPERTY TAX.

WHEREAS, the Florence City Council is elected by the citizens of Florence to provide those services which are necessary and required in order to facilitate the general well-being of its citizens and to raise the revenues necessary to fund those services;

WHEREAS, City Council has identified two critical need activities in need of funding which it believes will be in the best interest of the citizens of Florence and of the city as a whole;

WHEREAS, the first such identified activity involves a request recently received from a group led by Francis Marion University for a commitment from the city of an incentive amounting to \$3,000,000.00 to be used to acquire property needed for the purpose of encouraging and facilitating the location of a third and fourth year medical school facility in the area of downtown Florence, and city council is convinced that such an investment by the city in this important project is in the best interest of the citizens of Florence and the city as a whole;

WHEREAS, the second such identified activity involves the establishment of and action upon a plan for the redevelopment of neighborhoods within the city that are struggling and/or blighted;

WHEREAS, the local option sales tax (LOST) was created by the State of South Carolina with the passage of §4-10-10, *et seq* of the South Carolina Code of Laws, and the purpose of this tax was to provide for property tax relief to citizens of the state, and the

state law requires that at least 71% of the revenues raised by local option sales tax be utilized to credit or offset the property taxes owed by the citizens;

WHEREAS, the City of Florence, after the passage of a countywide referendum in November, 1993, adopted the local option sales tax through the passage of Ordinance 94-03 on January 10, 1994, and in that Ordinance the city provided for a credit of 100% of the LOST revenue for property tax relief to the citizens of the City of Florence;

WHEREAS, Florence City Council, after carefully studying all possible sources of revenue to cover the cost of the projects described above, finds and concludes that the best mechanism available to the city is an adjustment to the local option sales tax credit program which will generate the revenue needed while not increasing the millage;

WHEREAS, the City of Florence receives the moneys raised by the Local Option Sales Tax from the office of the State Treasurer and those moneys are delivered to the City in two funds, one called the Property Tax Credit Fund which represents the revenues required by State law to be credited against property taxes, and one called the County/Municipal Revenue Fund which represents the revenues which, by State law, are available for use by the City;

WHEREAS, Florence City Council has determined that it can raise the revenue needed for the projects described above by adjusting the credit under the local option sales tax credit program in order to make 50% of the County/Municipal Revenue Fund available for the needed funding while continuing to provide credit against property taxes for the remaining 50% of the County/Municipal Revenue Fund thereby continuing to provide credit against property taxes which far exceeds the property tax credit required by state law;

WHEREAS, the city hereby finds that the use of this mechanism provides the best and most efficient manner for providing the revenues needed for the projects described above.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Florence, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that Ordinance No. 94-03 be, and the same is hereby, amended to read in its entirety as follows:

(1) That the entirety of the Property Tax Credit Fund and fifty (50%) percent of the County/Municipality Revenue Fund delivered to the City of Florence by the South Carolina State Treasurer's office from revenues generated by the Local Option Sales Tax shall continue to be utilized as a tax credit against City ad valorem property taxes.

(2) That the remaining fifty (50%) percent of the County/Municipality Revenue Fund delivered to the City of Florence by the South Carolina State Treasurer's office from revenues generated by the Local Option Sales Tax shall be utilized by the City to raise funds for the exclusive purposes described as follows:

(a) For the first three (3) years, said revenues will be utilized to raise the amount of \$3,000,000.00 for the sole purpose of providing City incentive funding to encourage and facilitate the location of a third and fourth year medical school facility in the area of downtown Florence, said project to be accomplished in cooperation with Francis Marion University.

(b) For the next three (3) years, said revenues will be utilized for neighborhood redevelopment through projects and activities approved by the City for the purpose of encouraging and supporting

redevelopment of struggling or blighted neighborhoods within the City.

- (c) Upon receiving and utilizing the funding described above for a period of six (6) years, City Council shall address the future use of the County/Municipality Revenue Fund delivered to the City of Florence by the South Carolina State Treasurer's office from revenues generated by the Local Option Sales Tax.

3. That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence, South Carolina.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

STEPHEN J. WUKELA
Mayor

Approved as to form:

Attest:

JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.
City Attorney

DIANNE M. ROWAN
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

VI. d.
Bill No. 2013-16
First Reading

DATE: June 10, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: First Reading, Designate 147 W Evans as Local Historic Resource

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

Designate 147 West Evans Street as a local historic resource.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On January 11, 2012, the Design Review Board held public hearing on designating all properties within the H-1, Historic Overlay District. Board members voted 8-0, recommending to Council that each property in the H-1 Overlay be designated as a local historic resource.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. City Council adopted the H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District in 2005.
2. The purpose of the H-1 Overlay as stated in the City Zoning Ordinance “is to respect and build on the historic character of downtown Florence, and to establish the parameters for pursuit of National Register Historic District designation.”
3. A portion of the H-1 Overlay was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2008.
4. In January 2011, City Council adopted an Historic Preservation Ordinance in accordance with the Certified Local Government process.
5. The Ordinance was later amended to establish the Design Review Board as the Board of Historical Review.
6. The Design Review Board has been given the authority to review requests for historic designation within the Florence City limits. The Board must then recommend to Council individual properties and/or entire districts to be designated as local historic resources.
7. The Florence County Building Official has stated that Chapter 34 of the International Building Code may be applied to properties that Council has designated as local historic resources.
8. No additional restrictions would be placed on properties receiving local historic designation; project review for properties in the H-1 Overlay would still be governed by City ordinances and the Design Guidelines.

IV. OPTIONS

City Council may:


1. Approve the request as presented based on the information submitted.
2. Defer the request should additional information be needed.
3. Suggest other alternatives
4. Deny the request.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance
2. Staff Report



Phillip M. Lookadoo, AICP
Urban Planning & Development Director



Drew Griffin
City Manager

**CITY OF FLORENCE URBAN PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
STAFF REPORT
TO THE
CITY OF FLORENCE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

CASE NO: DRB 2012-03	DATE: January 11, 2012
SUBJECT:	Designate properties as historic resource
LOCATION:	H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District
TAX MAP NUMBER:	Multiple (see H-1 Master List attached)
OWNER OF RECORD:	Multiple (see H-1 Master List attached)
APPLICANT:	City of Florence
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Designate H-1 District as historic resource
REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:	H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District

Background

Downtown Florence has been undergoing a transformation for a few years now. The major impetus guiding revitalization started in 1999 with the *City-Wide Structure Plan*. That Plan evolved into the *Downtown Revitalization Strategy*, which recommended overlay districts and design guidelines for a Downtown Redevelopment District. Per *Strategy* recommendation, City Council adopted design guidelines and overlay districts in 2005. Part of that adoption included creating the H-1, Florence Historic District. By adopting such an overlay district, Council declared its support for the District's historic integrity and authorized restoration that preserves its character. The purpose of the H-1 Overlay, as stated in the City of Florence Zoning Ordinance, is as follows:

The intent of this district is to respect and build on the historic character of downtown Florence, and to establish the parameters for pursuit of National Register Historic District designation.

In addition to Council acknowledging the importance of protecting the historic character of the H-1 Overlay, there are also stakeholders who appreciate the Downtown buildings' historic features, and seek to maintain them during restoration projects. However, an issue of major concern is meeting International Building Code requirements while restoring these buildings. Because many of these structures are 50 plus years old, it could be really difficult to bring some of these structures up to code without major expenses. Therefore, the Florence County Building Official has stated that while renovating buildings within the H-1 District, Chapter 34 of the International Building Code may be applied if Council designates them as local historic resources.

On November 28, 2011, staff mailed sixty-six letters to property owners in the H-1, Historic Overlay District. The letter notified them that the Design Review Board will consider recommending to Council that their property be designated as a local historic resource. Of the sixty-six letters mailed, staff only received a response from one property owner. McLeod Health opposes the designation and does not want any of their properties listed as local historic resources (see letter attached).

Staff Analysis:

By nature of Council adopting the H-1, Florence Historic District in 2005, this boundary is in essence already viewed as historic. However, with the newly adopted Historic Preservation Ordinance, the properties should be officially designated by Council. The Historic Preservation Ordinance states that in order for properties to be designated as historic, the Design Review Board, also serving as the Board of Historical Review, should recommend to Council properties that should be designated.

Based on the Historic Preservation Ordinance, there are specific criteria that the Board should consider when making recommendations. They are:

1. *has significant inherent character, interest, or value as part of the development or heritage of the community, state, or nation; or*
2. *is the site of an event significant in history; or*
3. *is associated with a person or persons who contributed significantly to the culture and development of the community, state, or nation; or*
4. *exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social, ethnic, or historic heritage of the community, state, or nation; or*
5. *individually, or as a collection of resources, embodies distinguishing characteristics of a type, style, period, or specimen in architecture or engineering; or*
6. *is the work of a designer whose work has influenced significantly the development of the community, state or nation; or*
7. *contains elements of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship which represent a significant innovation; or*
8. *is part of or related to a square or other distinctive element of community planning; or*
9. *represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or community; or*

10. has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.

If Council had used these criteria when adopting the H-1 District in 2005, Criterion One and Five would have been the ones that would most apply to the buildings in Downtown Florence. In the aforementioned purpose statement, the intent of the District is to build upon its historic character and establish boundaries for a National Register Historic District.

It is also important to note that in July 2008, a portion of the H-1 District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places as Florence Downtown Historic District (see attached boundary map). The State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service deemed these properties historically significant because of Downtown Florence's commercial development since the City's founding and examples of commercial architecture dating from 1890 to 1940.

The other issue of importance in designating these properties as historic is the building official may apply Chapter 34 of the 2006 International Building Code, which reads as follows:

The provisions of this code relating to the construction, repair, alteration, addition, restoration, and movement of structures, and changes of occupancy shall not be mandatory for historic buildings where such buildings are judged by the building official to not constitute a distinct life safety hazard.

Even though this process seems redundant, these are the necessary steps in order to officially designate properties as historic, and also relieve some of the stress and expense that comes with rehabilitating historic buildings.

H-1 Historic District Master List		Business Name	Owner	ADD2
Address	TMS			
101 W EVANS ST	90167-02-011	Vacant	FREEMAN LOUISE KUKER	ATLANTA GA30339
103 W EVANS ST	90167-02-011	Vacant	FREEMAN LOUISE KUKER	ATLANTA GA30339
104 W EVANS ST	90168-02-013	Royal Knight	FLORENCE DOWNTOWN	FLORENCE SC29503
107 E CHEVES ST	90169-01-001	Mahogany	KEITH JOHN A III &	FLORENCE SC29501
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283 W EVANS ST	90167-01-002	Vacant	JEBAILY RONALD J & GEORGE D	FLORENCE	SC29503
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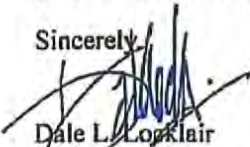
Ms. Kendra Cobbs, Planner II
City of Florence
Department of Urban Planning and Development
City-County Complex MSC-LL
180 N. Irby Street
Florence, SC 29501-3456

Dear Ms. Cobbs,

Thank you for taking time to speak with me concerning your letter dated November 28th regarding the Design Review Board designating McLeod property as a local historic resource.

As you know, McLeod has been a staunch supporter of improving our local downtown environment and appearance; however, after careful consideration and discussion, we have decided that we do not desire to receive the designation of local historic resource for any McLeod property and therefore request not to be designated or request a waiver to this designation.

Sincerely,



Dale L. Lopklair
McLeod Health
Vice President
Procurement & Construction

cc: Mr. Robert L. Colones
Mr. Boone Aiken

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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: First Reading, Designate 150 N Dargan as Local Historic Resource

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: Planning, Research & Development

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

Designate 150 North Dargan Street as a local historic resource.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

On January 11, 2012, the Design Review Board held public hearing on properties within the H-1, Historic Overlay District. Board members voted 8-0, recommending to Council that each property in the H-1 Overlay be designated as a local historic resource.

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. City Council adopted the H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District in 2005.
2. The purpose of the H-1 Overlay as stated in the City Zoning Ordinance “is to respect and build on the historic character of downtown Florence, and to establish the parameters for pursuit of National Register Historic District designation.”
3. A portion of the H-1 Overlay was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2008.
4. In January 2011, City Council adopted an Historic Preservation Ordinance in accordance with the Certified Local Government process.
5. The Ordinance was later amended to establish the Design Review Board as the Board of Historical Review.
6. The Design Review Board has been given the authority to review requests for historic designation within the Florence City limits. The Board must then recommend to Council individual properties and/or entire districts to be designated as local historic resources.
7. The Florence County Building Official has stated that Chapter 34 of the International Building Code may be applied to properties that Council has designated as local historic resources.
8. No additional restrictions would be placed on properties receiving local historic designation; project review for properties in the H-1 Overlay would still be governed by City ordinances and the Design Guidelines.

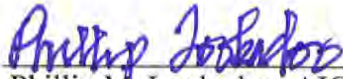
IV. OPTIONS

City Council may:

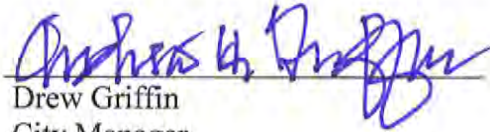
1. Approve the request as presented based on the information submitted.
2. Defer the request should additional information be needed.
3. Suggest other alternatives
4. Deny the request.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance
2. Staff Report



Phillip M. Lookadoo, AICP
Urban Planning & Development Director



Drew Griffin
City Manager

**CITY OF FLORENCE URBAN PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
STAFF REPORT
TO THE
CITY OF FLORENCE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

CASE NO: DRB 2012-03	DATE: January 11, 2012
SUBJECT:	Designate properties as historic resource
LOCATION:	H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District
TAX MAP NUMBER:	Multiple (see H-1 Master List attached)
OWNER OF RECORD:	Multiple (see H-1 Master List attached)
APPLICANT:	City of Florence
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Designate H-1 District as historic resource
REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:	H-1, Florence Historic Overlay District

Background

Downtown Florence has been undergoing a transformation for a few years now. The major impetus guiding revitalization started in 1999 with the *City-Wide Structure Plan*. That Plan evolved into the *Downtown Revitalization Strategy*, which recommended overlay districts and design guidelines for a Downtown Redevelopment District. Per *Strategy* recommendation, City Council adopted design guidelines and overlay districts in 2005. Part of that adoption included creating the H-1, Florence Historic District. By adopting such an overlay district, Council declared its support for the District's historic integrity and authorized restoration that preserves its character. The purpose of the H-1 Overlay, as stated in the City of Florence Zoning Ordinance, is as follows:

The intent of this district is to respect and build on the historic character of downtown Florence, and to establish the parameters for pursuit of National Register Historic District designation.

In addition to Council acknowledging the importance of protecting the historic character of the H-1 Overlay, there are also stakeholders who appreciate the Downtown buildings' historic features, and seek to maintain them during restoration projects. However, an issue of major concern is meeting International Building Code requirements while restoring these buildings. Because many of these structures are 50 plus years old, it could be really difficult to bring some of these structures up to code without major expenses. Therefore, the Florence County Building Official has stated that while renovating buildings within the H-1 District, Chapter 34 of the International Building Code may be applied if Council designates them as local historic resources.

On November 28, 2011, staff mailed sixty-six letters to property owners in the H-1, Historic Overlay District. The letter notified them that the Design Review Board will consider recommending to Council that their property be designated as a local historic resource. Of the sixty-six letters mailed, staff only received a response from one property owner. McLeod Health opposes the designation and does not want any of their properties listed as local historic resources (see letter attached).

Staff Analysis:

By nature of Council adopting the H-1, Florence Historic District in 2005, this boundary is in essence already viewed as historic. However, with the newly adopted Historic Preservation Ordinance, the properties should be officially designated by Council. The Historic Preservation Ordinance states that in order for properties to be designated as historic, the Design Review Board, also serving as the Board of Historical Review, should recommend to Council properties that should be designated.

Based on the Historic Preservation Ordinance, there are specific criteria that the Board should consider when making recommendations. They are:

1. *has significant inherent character, interest, or value as part of the development or heritage of the community, state, or nation; or*
2. *is the site of an event significant in history; or*
3. *is associated with a person or persons who contributed significantly to the culture and development of the community, state, or nation; or*
4. *exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social, ethnic, or historic heritage of the community, state, or nation; or*
5. *individually, or as a collection of resources, embodies distinguishing characteristics of a type, style, period, or specimen in architecture or engineering; or*
6. *is the work of a designer whose work has influenced significantly the development of the community, state or nation; or*
7. *contains elements of design, detail, materials, or craftsmanship which represent a significant innovation; or*
8. *is part of or related to a square or other distinctive element of community planning; or*
9. *represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or community; or*

10. *has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.*

If Council had used these criteria when adopting the H-1 District in 2005, Criterion One and Five would have been the ones that would most apply to the buildings in Downtown Florence. In the aforementioned purpose statement, the intent of the District is to build upon its historic character and establish boundaries for a National Register Historic District.

It is also important to note that in July 2008, a portion of the H-1 District was listed in the National Register of Historic Places as Florence Downtown Historic District (see attached boundary map). The State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service deemed these properties historically significant because of Downtown Florence's commercial development since the City's founding and examples of commercial architecture dating from 1890 to 1940.

The other issue of importance in designating these properties as historic is the building official may apply Chapter 34 of the 2006 International Building Code, which reads as follows:

The provisions of this code relating to the construction, repair, alteration, addition, restoration, and movement of structures, and changes of occupancy shall not be mandatory for historic buildings where such buildings are judged by the building official to not constitute a distinct life safety hazard.

Even though this process seems redundant, these are the necessary steps in order to officially designate properties as historic, and also relieve some of the stress and expense that comes with rehabilitating historic buildings.

H-1 Historic District Master List						
Address	TMS	Business Name	Owner	ADD2		
101 W EVANS ST	90167-02-011	Vacant	FREEMAN LOUISE KUKER	ATLANTA	GA30339	
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123 S DARGAN ST	90168-02-010	Florence Pharmacy	HUMPHRIES RAYMOND F &	DARLINGTON	SC29532	
124 N DARGAN ST	90169-01-032	Vacant	BRENNAN PROPERTIES LLC	COLUMBIA	SC29250	
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126 W EVANS ST	90168-02-015	Vacant	ROGERS ARDITH P TRUSTEE OF	FLORENCE	SC29501
127 W EVANS ST	90167-02-008	Hair Elegance Beauty Supply	NOFAL PHILIP A JR ETAL	FLORENCE	SC29503
128 S IRBY ST	90168-02-029	S/W Printing Co.	PEE DEE PRINTING INC	FLORENCE	SC29501
129 S DARGAN ST	90168-02-009	Vacant	FLORENCE DOWNTOWN DEV	FLORENCE	SC29503
130 N DARGAN ST	90169-01-030	Vacant	DAVIS KENNETH ALVIN	FLORENCE	SC29505
130 1/2 S. Irby St.	90168-02-030	unknown	KEESLER PROPERTIES LLC	FLORENCE	SC29501
130 S IRBY ST	90168-02-030	Vintage Vogue	KEESLER PROPERTIES LLC	FLORENCE	SC29501
131 1/2 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-013	Vacant	GREENBERG STUART A &	FLORENCE	SC29501
131 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-010	Vacant	117 WEST EVANS STREET LLC	ATLANTA	GA30355
134 S IRBY ST	90168-02-031	Ella's Boutique	ROGERS FAMILY INVESTMENT	FLORENCE	SC29502
135 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-013	New York High Fashion	GREENBERG STUART A &	FLORENCE	SC29501
135 S DARGAN ST	90168-02-008	Arts Trail Gallery/ Waters B	FLORENCE DOWNTOWN	FLORENCE	SC29503
137 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-014	Vacant	WADDELL TANYA S	FLORENCE	SC29505
138 W EVANS ST	90168-02-016	Vacant	WEST EVANS STREET LLC	FLORENCE	SC29501
140 S IRBY ST	90168-02-032	Vacant	MEADOW LARK FARMS INC	KINGSTREE	SC29556
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141 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-032	Vacant	SMALL LOUIS B JR &	FLORENCE	SC29506
142 N DARGAN ST	90170-01-011	Vacant	PATTILLO DONALD K & HAENG U	FLORENCE	SC29505
142 S IRBY ST	90168-02-033	Vacant	SINGLETARY BERTIE A HEIRS	W JEFFERSON	NC28694
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151 W EVANS ST	90167-02-005	Vacant	GLASS GEORGE EDWARD JR &	FLORENCE	SC29501
152 S DARGAN ST	90169-01-020	Vacant	COFFEA ENTERPRISES LLC	FLORENCE	SC29501
154 S. Dargan St.	90169-01-020	Vacant	COFFEA ENTERPRISES LLC	FLORENCE	SC29501
154 W. Evans St.	90168-02-019	Hope Missionary Baptist C	HHE LAND INVESTMENTS LLC	FLORENCE	SC29505
155 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-016	Jo's Discount/Jos. Nofal & B	PATTILLO DON & JO	FLORENCE	SC29505
157 W EVANS ST	90167-02-004	Happy Balance	POSTON PARTNERSHIP	FLORENCE	SC29503
158 N DARGAN ST	90170-01-009	Vacant	WISE BARBARA S	PAMPLICO	SC29583
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166 N DARGAN ST	90170-01-007	Vacant	LYERLY LEWIS	FLORENCE	SC29505
166 S DARGAN ST	90169-01-022	Vacant	BROWN ROBERT F & PEGGY J	FLORENCE	SC29501
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169 N DARGAN ST	90167-02-033	Nubian Brothers Barber	WELLS ANTWAN	FLORENCE	SC29506
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174 W EVANS ST	90168-02-025	Vacant	THOMAS GLADYS P	FLORENCE	SC29506
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218 W EVANS ST	90168-01-007	City of Florence Urban Plan	THE CITY OF FLORENCE	FLORENCE	SC29501
227 W EVANS ST	90167-01-006	Corbin Law Firm	CORBIN DARYL J	FLORENCE	SC29503
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237 N DARGAN ST	90086-03-005	Basic Styling Salon	TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH	FLORENCE	SC29501
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263 N DARGAN ST	90086-03-005	Fashion Unlimited Stylist &	TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH	FLORENCE	SC29501
265 W EVANS ST	90167-01-004	Anderson Law Firm, P.A.	ANDERSON HENRY M JR	FLORENCE	SC29501
268 W EVANS ST	90168-01-002	Vacant	WILLCOX,MCLEOD,BUYCK &	FLORENCE	SC29503
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283 W EVANS ST	90167-01-002	Vacant	JEBAILY RONALD J & GEORGE D	FLORENCE	SC29503
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286 W EVANS ST	90168-01-021	The Patriot Barber Shop	THOMPSON D P SR	FLORENCE	SC29502
288 W EVANS ST	90168-01-021	Eston Wells Insurance Ager	THOMPSON D P SR	FLORENCE	SC29502
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291 W EVANS ST	90167-01-001	Je Bailey Law Firm	JEBAILY GEORGE D	FLORENCE	SC29503
292 W EVANS ST	90168-01-021	B&G Enterprises	THOMPSON D P SR	FLORENCE	SC29502

McLeod Health

The Choice for Medical Excellence

December 12, 2011

Ms. Kendra Cobbs, Planner ☐
City of Florence
Department of Urban Planning and Development
City-County Complex MSC-LL
180 N. Irby Street
Florence, SC 29501-3456

Dear Ms. Cobbs,

Thank you for taking time to speak with me concerning your letter dated November 28th regarding the Design Review Board designating McLeod property as a local historic resource.

As you know, McLeod has been a staunch supporter of improving our local downtown environment and appearance; however, after careful consideration and discussion, we have decided that we do not desire to receive the designation of local historic resource for any McLeod property and therefore request not to be designated or request a waiver to this designation.

Sincerely,



Dale L. Logklair
McLeod Health
Vice President
Procurement & Construction

cc: Mr. Robert L. Colones
Mr. Boone Aiken

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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013
AGENDA ITEM: Introduction of Resolution
DEPARTMENT/DIVISION: General Services/Community Services

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

To adopt a Resolution which replaces Resolution No. 2013-13 to amend the Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2013-2014.

II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN

The City of Florence held public hearings at the following locations:

- March 4, 2013 at 6:30 pm – Wilson Road Church
- March 5, 2013 at 7:00 pm – Williams Heights
- March 13, 2013 at 7:00 pm – Levy Park Community Center
- March 19, 2013 at 7:00 pm – North West Community Center
- March 21, 2013 at 2:00 pm – City Council Chambers
- April 8, 2013 at 1:00 pm - City Council Chambers

III. POINTS TO CONSIDER

- A. The City of Florence will receive **\$266,626** in Community Development Block Grant funding for FY 2013-2014.
- B. Council adopted a \$200,000 estimated CDBG budget on May 13, 2013. This resolution will reflect the exact amount of CDBG funding that will be received.
- C. The recommended budget provides funding for projects in each of the CDBG targeted areas; North Florence, North West Florence, and East Florence. The recommended projects are as follows:

-Housing Rehabilitation	\$70,000
-Funding for the Pee Dee Transitional Shelter	\$30,000
-Debt service on the Section 108 loan, which was used to make improvements to Levy Park and the Barnes Street facility.	\$100,000
-Abandoned houses/vacant lot clearance	\$66,626

-Funding for the Pee Dee Transitional Shelter	\$30,000
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-Abandoned houses/vacant lot clearance	\$66,626


IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve and adopt the CDBG budget as presented.


V. PERSONAL NOTES:

VI. ATTACHMENTS

2013-2014 CDBG Budget Resolution
Resolution 2013-13



Scotty Davis
Director of Community Services



Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

Resolution No. 2013

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, the City of Florence is an Entitlement City as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence will receive approximately **\$266,626** in Community Development Block Grant funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for fiscal year 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, the City of Florence is required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to approve and adopt a Community Development Block Grant budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Florence, South Carolina in a meeting duly assembled do hereby adopt the following Community Development Block Grant budget for fiscal year 2013-2014:

Emergency Rehabilitation	\$ 70,000
Pee Dee CAA Transitional Shelter	\$ 30,000
Section 108 Loan repayment	\$100,000
Abandon house/vacant lot clearance	\$ 66,626

ADOPTED, this 10th day of June, 2013.

Approved as to form:

James W. Peterson, Jr.
City Attorney

Stephen J. Wukela, **Mayor**

Attest:

Dianne M. Rowan
Municipal Clerk

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: June 10, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Report to Council

DIVISION/DEPARTMENT: City Council

I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION

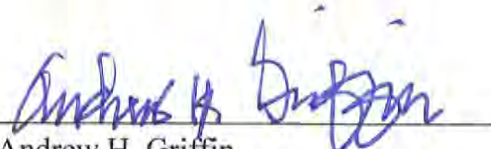
A budget revision request from Weed & Seed Safe Haven

II. POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. At the September 26, 2012 City Council meeting, Council approved \$25,000 in funding for the Weed and Seed Program.
2. \$20,900 of the funding allocation was to be used for rent and utilities and the remaining \$9,100 was to be used for programming.
3. As stated in a request received from Weed and Seed, they would like for Council to approve a revision of the Agency's budget line item to reflect a decrease in the rent and utilities line item by \$2,350 and increase the programming line item by \$2,350.

III. ATTACHMENTS

1. A copy of the request from Weed and Seed.
2. A copy of the September 26, 2012 City Council minutes outlining the allocation of the \$25,000 funding request.



Andrew H. Griffin
City Manager

May 28, 2013

Larry Lugo
City of Florence
City-County Complex AA
180 North Irby Street
Florence, SC 29501-3456

Subject: Weed & Seed Budget Revision Request

Dear Mr. Lugo:

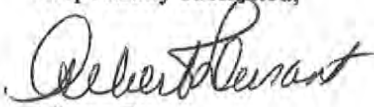
Please accept this letter as our Agency's request for a budget line item revision.

We are requesting the following:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Justification</u>
Rent & Utilities	Decrease	\$2,350	We did not use as much as we anticipated
Programming	Increase	\$2,350	We have over expended this line item and need funds to operate thru June 30,2013

We appreciate all consideration given this request. We are also enclosing our reimbursement request of \$4,810.05 for your use when considering this request.

Respectfully submitted,


Alberta Durant
Fiscal Director

Serving: Florence / Marion / Dillon Counties

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Mayor Wukela reported that an Ordinance has already been passed related to the towing of vehicles; however there are some minor changes to that Ordinance as a result of discussions with County Council.

Mr. Jim Peterson, City Attorney reviewed the changes with Council.

Mayor Pro tem Brand made a motion to pass Bill No. 2012-32 on first reading. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-27

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION 2012-13 TO CORRECT A CLERICAL ERROR THEREIN AND TO UPDATE THE WRECKER POLICY OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE TO BRING CURRENT THE ORIGINAL POLICY ADOPTED IN 1986 AND TO INCORPORATE ALL CHANGES SINCE THE ORIGINAL RESOLUTION.

A Resolution to amend Resolution 2012-13 to correct a clerical error therein and to update the wrecker policy of the City of Florence to bring current the original policy adopted in 1986 and to incorporate all changes since the original resolution was adopted by Council.

Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2012-27. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

REPORT TO COUNCIL

A REPORT FROM THE BUDGET COMMITTEE REGARDING THREE FUNDING REQUESTS RECEIVED DURING THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. **Florence Men's Choral Society**
2. **Weed and Seed Program**
3. **Pee Dee Area Stand Down Event**

Councilman Brand reported that the Florence Men's Choral Society requested \$5,000. The committee reviewed the request and is recommending an allocation of \$1,000.

Councilman Powers made a motion to approve \$1,000 for the Florence Men's Choral Society. Councilman Willis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Weed and Seed Program requested \$25,000 in funding, through Councilman Robinson, to be used for heating, cooling and utilities. The majority of the committee approved the \$25,000 request.

Councilman Powers made a motion to fund \$20,900 for direct reimbursement and direct payment for rent and utilities and up to \$9,100 for direct reimbursement, for programming. Mr. Griffin added that the funding would be allocated in the same format as the City requires the CDBG sub-recipients be paid. Councilman Robinson seconded the motion.

Mayor Wukela made a motion to amend to provide for \$20,900 for rent and utilities on a direct pay or reimbursement basis. This motion failed for lack of a second.

Councilwoman Ervin stated she would like to see the city foster this program on a long term basis. Councilman Powers and Councilwoman Williams-Blake agreed.

Mayor Pro tem Brand stated that it was suggested at the Budget Committee meeting that any organization that requests funding from the City would need to submit a financial statement to the City Manager, who would then forward it to the committee for review and recommendation. The committee would then present their recommendation to the full Council.

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Councilwoman Williams-Blake stated going forward, any organization requesting funding should first submit a written request and a financial statement to the City. The committee would then decide who would receive funding and in what amount.

Voting in favor of the principle motion was Councilman Robinson, Councilwoman Ervin, Councilman Powers and Councilman Willis.

Voting in opposition of the principle motion was Councilman Williams-Blake, Mayor Wukela and Mayor Pro tem Brand.

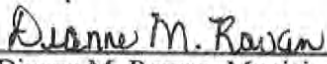
The request for the Pee Dee Area Stand Down Event was withdrawn.

ADJOURN


Councilman Willis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Powers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Dated this 12th day of November, 2012.



Dianne M. Rowan, Municipal Clerk



Stephen J. Wukela, Mayor