

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF  
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL**



**COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
324 W. EVANS STREET  
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MONDAY  
FEBRUARY 13, 2023  
1:00 P.M.**



**REGULAR MEETING OF FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023 – 1:00PM  
CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
324 WEST EVANS STREET  
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. INVOCATION**

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 9, 2023 – Regular Meeting

**IV. APPEARANCES BEFORE COUNCIL**

*Note: Each person who gives notice to speak may be limited to a five (5) minute presentation at the discretion of the presiding officer, City of Florence Code of Ordinances, Section 2-24(h).*

**a. Mr. Brad Hanna**

To speak to Council on a water concern.

**b. Ms. Irma Wilson**

To speak to Council regarding Animal Control.

**c. Ms. Linda Johnson, Executive Director – Senior Citizens Association**

To speak to Council regarding funding for the Meals on Wheels program.

**V. ORDINANCES IN POSITION**

**a. Bill No. 2022-38 – Second Reading**

An Ordinance to annex and zone Commercial General three parcels located at 401, 409, and 411 Pamplico Highway, identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcels 90109-01-002, 90109-01-003 and a portion of 90108-05-001.

*(Note: The applicant has requested that this item be deferred.)*

- b. Bill No. 2023-01 – Second Reading**  
An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-6.1 the parcel at 925 West Sumter Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90060-07-002.
- c. Bill No. 2023-02 – Second Reading**  
An Ordinance to annex and zone DS the lot at 825 South Church Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90105-01-007.
- d. Bill No. 2023-03 – Second Reading**  
An Ordinance to annex and zone OSR the lot at 833 South Church Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90105-01-018.
- e. Bill No. 2023-04 – Second Reading**  
An Ordinance to abandon a sewer line and easement located on South Cashua Drive, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00100-01-159.
- f. Bill No. 2023-05 – Second Reading**  
An Ordinance to abandon the City of Florence interest in right-of-way located on Power Street on the north side of Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00147-01-072.

## **VI. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

- a. Bill No. 2023-06 – First Reading**  
An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-6.3 the parcels located at 707 and 709 South Church Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel Numbers 90104-02-015 and 90104-02-030.

## **VII. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

- a. Resolution No. 2023-04**  
A Resolution of City Council approving Downtown Redevelopment Grants for Third Quarter, FY23.  
*(Note: May be discussed in Executive Session.)*
- b. Resolution No. 2023-05**  
A Resolution to adopt the South Carolina Municipal Association 2023 Advocacy Initiatives.
- c. Resolution No. 2023-06**  
A Resolution approving an investment policy for the City of Florence.

## **VIII. REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

- a. Appointments to Boards and Commissions**
- b. Comprehensive Financial Report and Audited Financial Statements**

**IX. MAYORAL REPORT**

**X. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Business Development Committee**
- b. Community Development Committee**
- c. Marketing and Public Relations Committee**
- d. Finance, Audit and Budget Committee**

*(Note: Action may be taken during Committee Reports.)*

**XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a. For discussion related to a proposed Economic Development Project [30-4-70(a)(5)].**
- b. To receive an update on legal matters [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- c. Personnel Matter [30-4-70(a)(1)].**
- d. For a discussion of legal matters [30-4-70(a)(2)].**

*After returning to open session, Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session.*

**XII. ADJOURN**



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CITY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
324 WEST EVANS STREET  
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor Pro Tempore George Jebaily, Councilwoman Lethonia Barnes, Councilman Chaquez T. McCall, Councilman Bryan A. Braddock, Councilwoman LaShonda NeSmith-Jackson and Councilman J. Lawrence Smith, II

**ALSO PRESENT**

Mr. Randall S. Osterman, City Manager; Mr. Scotty Davis, Deputy City Manager; Mr. James W. Peterson, Jr., City Attorney; Mrs. Casey Moore, Municipal Clerk; Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development; Mr. Kevin Yokim, Assistant City Manager of Administration/Finance; Chief Allen Heidler, Florence Police Department; Chief Shannon Tanner, Florence Fire Department; Mrs. Jennifer Krawiec, Director of Human Resources; Mr. Jerry Dudley, Director of Planning; Mr. Michael Hemingway, Director of Utilities; Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services; and Mr. Chuck Pope, Director of Public Works.

**MEDIA PRESENT**

Mr. Chris Day of the Florence Morning was present for the meeting.

Notices of this regular meeting of City Council were provided to the media and individuals requesting a copy of the agenda informing them of the date, location and time of the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ervin called the December 12, 2022 regular meeting of Florence City Council to order at 1:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Mayor Ervin gave the invocation for the meeting. The pledge of allegiance to the American Flag followed the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilman Jebaily made a motion to adopt the minutes of the December 12, 2022 regular meeting and Councilman Smith seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously adopted.



**ORDINANCES IN POSITION**

**Bill No. 2022-37 – Second Reading**

**An Ordinance to amend the Design Guidelines for Downtown Florence, South Carolina and the Unified Development Ordinance.**

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2022-37 on second reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2022-37 was adopted.

**Bill No. 2022-38 – Second Reading**

**An Ordinance to annex and zone Commercial General three parcels located at 401, 409, and 411 Pamplico Highway, identified as Florence County Tax Map Parcels 90109-01-002, 90109-01-003, and a portion of 90108-05-001.**

Mayor Ervin said the applicants have requested that this item be deferred. Without objection, this item was deferred.

**Bill No. 2022-39 – Second Reading**

**An Ordinance to annex and zone General Residential, RG-2, the former Palms Golf Course identified as a portion of Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00751-01-049.**

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2022-39 on second reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2022-39 was adopted.

**Bill No. 2022-40 – Second Reading**

**An Ordinance to declare a portion of Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90078-01-006, specifically a thirty foot by three hundred- and thirty-nine-foot portion along the southern property line, as surplus and authorize the transfer of land to Joseph and Molly Roberts for the purposes of combining with Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90078-01-005.**

Councilman Braddock made a motion to adopt Bill No. 2022-40 on second reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2022-40 was adopted.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

**Bill No. 2023-01 – First Reading**

**An Ordinance to annex and zone NC-6.1 the parcel at 925 West Sumter Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90060-07-002.**

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to pass Bill No. 2023-01 on first reading and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Mr. Clint Moore, Assistant City Manager of Development, reported water and sewer services are currently available.



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Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter and recommended the zoning designation of NC-6.1, pending annexation.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2023-01 was passed on first reading.

**Bill No. 2023-02 – First Reading**

**An Ordinance to annex and zone DS the lot at 825 South Church Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90105-01-007.**

Councilman Smith made a motion to pass Bill No. 2023-02 on first reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Mr. Moore reported the city recently purchased this property and is requesting the zoning designation of Destination and Select Use. City water service is currently available, but sewer service is not available.

Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter and voted to recommend the zoning designation of DS, pending annexation.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2023-02 was passed on first reading.

**Bill No. 2023-03 – First Reading**

**An Ordinance to annex and zone OSR the lot at 833 South Church Street, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 90105-01-018.**

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to pass Bill No. 2023-03 on first reading and Pro tem Jebaily seconded the motion.

Mr. Moore reported the city recently purchased this property and is requesting the zoning designation of Open Space and Recreation. City water service is currently available, but sewer service is not available.

In partnership with the Drs Bruce and Lee Foundation, this property will be utilized by the City to extend the landscape gateway into Florence.

Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter and voted to recommend the zoning designation of OSR, pending annexation.

Pro tem Jebaily thanked staff for recognizing the opportunity to enhance and beautify this corridor.

Mayor Ervin thanked the Foundation for their partnership with the city.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2023-03 was passed on first reading.

**Bill No. 2023-04 – First Reading**

**An Ordinance to abandon a sewer line and easement located on South Cashua Drive, Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00100-01-159.**

Councilman Smith made a motion to pass Bill No. 2023-04 on first reading and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.



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Mr. Moore reported this property is in front of Delmae Elementary along Cashua Drive. The property owner has made this request in order to make the property more marketable. The sewer line provides service to this parcel only and is not currently serving any active customers. The developer will remove the line and take it back to the property line so they will continue to have access to sewer. This will also allow for more flexibility in the development of the property. The associated easement will also be abandoned by the City since it is no longer needed for repairs and maintenance by the City.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2023-04 was passed on first reading.

**Bill No. 2023-05 – First Reading**

**An Ordinance to abandon the City of Florence interest in right-of-way located on Power Street on the north side of Florence County Tax Map Parcel 00147-01-072.**

Councilman McCall made a motion to pass Bill No. 2023-05 on first reading and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson seconded the motion.

Mr. Moore reported this request is in partnership with the School District. This is the location of the proposed construction of the new North Vista Elementary School. The school will utilize Power Street as an access point for kindergarten student drop-off, necessitating road upgrades to this existing portion of right-of-way. Currently, maintenance of Power Street is the responsibility of the City of Florence. Upon abandonment, FSD1 will obtain ownership and be responsible for future maintenance of this portion. The remainder of the rights-of-way and streets connected would continue to belong to the City.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Bill No. 2023-05 was passed on first reading.

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution No. 2023-01**

**A Resolution to congratulate the South Florence Bruins for winning the 2022 South Carolina Football State Championship.**

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-01 and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

Mr. Scotty Davis, Deputy City Manager, read the Resolution and Mayor Ervin presented it to the Bruins football team, coaches and Florence School District One Superintendent, Dr. Richard O'Malley.

Several Council members spoke and congratulated the Bruins on this accomplishment.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Resolution No. 2023-01 was adopted.

**Resolution No. 2023-02**

**A Resolution to proclaim January 29 – February 4, 2023 as Catholic Schools Week in the City of Florence.**

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-02 and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

Pro tem Jebaily read the Resolution and presented it to students, teachers and principal of Saint Anthony Catholic School.





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Students made comments on behalf of the school and thanked Council for honoring them with the Resolution.

Council voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Resolution No. 2023-02 was adopted.

**Resolution No. 2023-03**

**A Resolution and Conditional Grant and Development Agreement to provide an incentive for the development of new housing within north Florence as part of the ongoing Neighborhood Redevelopment Project.**

Mayor Ervin said this item is to be discussed in Executive Session. Without objection, this item will be discussed in Executive Session.

**REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

**Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

Mr. Davis presented the packet of appointments to Boards and Commissions to Council.

**City-County Memorial Stadium Commission**

Councilman McCall deferred his nomination for the Commission.

**Public Safety Citizen's Review Board**

Mayor Ervin deferred her nomination for the Board.

**Board of Zoning Appeals**

Being no applicants, Councilman Smith deferred his nomination for the Board.

**Design Review Board**

Being no applicants, Councilman Braddock deferred his nomination for the Board.

Being no applicants, Pro tem Jebaily deferred his nomination for the Board.

**Report from Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin**

Mayor Ervin began by thanking City staff for their response to the water pressure situation that occurred on Christmas day and days following. Mayor Ervin said there will be a debriefing on how the situation was handled and if the city can do better in the future.

Mayor Ervin then provided an update on current projects and happenings in the City. Florence County Progress is moving forward to accommodate Envision and their needs as they prepare to break ground in Florence in May. Progress continues with Urban Square as well as the Jesse Wiles town home project on Pine Street. Additionally, the Florence Downtown Development Corporation received a small-town community grant from T-Mobile.



## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Business Development Committee, Chaired by Pro tem Jebaily**

Pro tem Jebaily said the Committee discussed the Envision project and its impact on the City and Pee Dee Region. From that discussion arose a conversation on the future needs of the Surface Water Treatment Plant to meet the needs of the facility. Pro tem Jebaily said the City was considering upgrading the plant to add 5 million gallons per day capacity; however, increased demands will require a 10 million gallon per day rehabilitation to the existing facility. The need for improvements and an increase in capacity to the wastewater system was also discussed. The improvements will increase capacity at the Wastewater Treatment Plant from 22 million gallons per day to 30 million gallons per day. The increases in capacity at both of these facilities is representative of the growth Florence is experiencing. The Committee also discussed the Jeffries Creek Sanitary Sewer Interceptor that runs through Jefferies Creek and the construction of a new interceptor within the public right-of-way of Second Loop Road and South Irby Street. Pro tem Jebaily also spoke of other projects to include the third penny repaving projects, the construction on town homes on NB Baroody Street, Urban Square and the construction of the parking deck and the old theater project on South Dargan Street. Also discussed at the Committee meeting was the downtown workforce and a walking trail they can utilize while on their lunch breaks, et cetera. Pro tem Jebaily invited Mr. Moore to the podium to speak on the “Downtown Loop.” Mr. Moore said a downtown loop has been developed and, with the help from a grant, they have been able to purchase sidewalk medallions to mark distances as well as signage to give direction. This project will begin moving forward this year.

Pro tem Jebaily also asked Mr. Moore to speak on the new interactive feature on the website. Mr. Moore said the Capital Improvements page has been added to the city’s website. From this page, users will be able to navigate through the Stormwater Master Plan, Stormwater Infrastructure Improvements and Third Penny Sales Tax Project pages. The page will be updated as other projects arise. Citizens are able to engage through the interactive portal to receive updates on the various projects and report stormwater/flooding concerns.

Pro tem Jebaily said appointments to the East Florence Gateway Study Committee were also discussed and these proposals are coming up on the agenda.

### **Community Development Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman Barnes**

Councilwoman Barnes said she does not have anything to report today but she has received concerns from some residents. She said some people do not have social media accounts and asked Mr. Randy Osterman, City Manager, how we can be sure everyone is receiving important information from the City. Mr. Osterman said this was a problem during the recent water issue. He replied he doesn’t have a complete answer at this moment, but staff is currently working on a solution. Mayor Ervin said issuing press releases earlier and issuing them in conjunction with social media posts would be helpful.

### **Marketing and Public Relations Committee, Chaired by Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson**

Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson said getting information to the public was also discussed at this Committee meeting. She said the City should be proactive in getting important information out to residents and visitors of Florence. She spoke of a City app or other platform to aid in mass communications to notify people of information such as boil water advisories. Staff is researching some possibilities for the City and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson asked Mrs. Amanda Pope, Director of Marketing/Communications and Municipal Services, to provide an update. Mrs. Pope said staff is



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researching some mechanisms to enhance communications with the public. There are several companies that offer technologies such as web chat, text chat/alerts and push notifications.

### **Finance, Audit and Budget Committee, Chaired by Councilman McCall**

Councilman McCall said the committee received a report from the City's external auditor at their last meeting, with a full report to be presented to City Council at their February meeting. The Committee also discussed the opioid settlement and how much the City is set to receive and staff is working on the application process. An investment policy was also presented by staff at the meeting. The Committee will have a recommendation ready for Council at their next meeting.

### **APPOINTMENT TO EAST FLORENCE GATEWAY STUDY COMMITTEE**

Councilman Braddock made a motion to establish the East Palmetto Corridor Ad Hoc Committee with the following members: City Councilman George Jebaily, Chairman; City Councilman Lawrence Smith, Vice-Chair; State Representative Terry Alexander; County Councilman Waymon Mumford; County Councilman William Schofield; Kermit Moore, Ex. Officio as President of the East Florence Community Association; Holly Beaumier, Executive Director of Florence Convention and Visitors Bureau; Josiellia Williams, Commissioner, City of Florence Parks and Beautification Commission; and Mindy Taylor Chairman, City of Florence Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee and Councilwoman Barnes seconded the motion.

Mayor Ervin said members were already appointed to this Committee at the November meeting and asked if this motion is to redo the committee makeup. Appointments to the Committee were to be made in December; however, this was deferred by Council at this time. Councilman Braddock said he understood from the November meeting that the Committee would need to be reestablished due to the makeup of Council changing. Mr. Jim Peterson, City Attorney, approached the podium to clarify. He said the vote in November established the Committee and did not clarify the makeup other than the two co-chairs. At that time the co-chairs were Pro tem Jebaily and Mr. Kermit Moore.

Councilman Smith made a motion to discuss this in Executive Session in order to receive legal advice and Councilman McCall seconded the motion. Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. This item will be discussed in Executive Session.

### **MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO FLATS COMMITTEE**

Mayor Ervin appointed Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson to the FLATS Committee.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Ervin said Council will be entering into Executive Session for negotiations incident to proposed contractual matters, to receive an update on legal matters, for a personnel matter and for legal advice related to appointments to the East Florence Gateway Study Committee.

Without objection, Council entered into Executive Session at 2:10 p.m.

Council resumed open session at 3:10 p.m. and took action on the following items:



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**Resolution No. 2023-03**

**A Resolution and Conditional Grant and Development Agreement to provide an incentive for the development of new housing within north Florence as part of the ongoing Neighborhood Redevelopment Project.**

Pro tem Jebaily made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-03 and Councilman McCall seconded the motion.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion. Resolution No. 2023-03 was adopted.

**APPOINTMENT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mayor Ervin said a personnel matter was discussed in Executive Session. She then appointed Councilman McCall as Chair, Councilman Braddock and Councilwoman NeSmith-Jackson to the Judicial Review Committee. The Committee will be looking at information regarding the hiring of a City Attorney either by contract or salaried employee. Mayor Ervin asked staff move forward with advertisement and the request for proposals for this position.

**APPOINTMENT TO EAST FLORENCE GATEWAY STUDY COMMITTEE**

The current motion on the floor, made by Councilman Braddock and seconded by Councilwoman Barnes, is to establish the East Palmetto Corridor Ad Hoc Committee with the following members: City Councilman George Jebaily, Chairman; City Councilman Lawrence Smith, Vice-Chair; State Representative Terry Alexander; County Councilman Waymon Mumford; Council Councilman William Schofield; Kermit Moore, Ex. Officio as President of the East Florence Community Association; Holly Baumier, Executive Director of Florence Convention and Visitors Bureau; Josiellia Williams, Commissioner of the City of Florence Parks and Beautification Commission; and Mindy Taylor, Chairman of the City of Florence Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Council voted unanimously (7-0) in favor of the motion.

**ADJOURN**

Without objection, the January 9, 2023 Regular meeting of City Council was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

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Casey C. Moore, Municipal Clerk

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Teresa Myers Ervin, Mayor

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** December 12, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** Ordinance to Annex and Zone 401, 409, and 411 Pamplico Highway, TMNs 90108-05-001 (portion), 90109-01-002, and 90109-01-003

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Request to annex property located at 401, 409, and 411 Pamplico Highway, Tax Map Numbers 90108-05-001 (portion), 90109-01-002, and 90109-01-003, into the City of Florence and zone to CG Commercial General. The request is being made by the property owner.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

On November 8, 2022, Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 8-0, to recommend the zoning designation of CG Commercial General.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) City water and sewer services are currently available.
- (3) The intent is to combine the parcels for commercial development.
- (4) City staff concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property CG Commercial General.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petitions



Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager



Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 401 (PORTION), 409, AND 411 PAMPLICO HIGHWAY, TMNs 90108-05-001 (PORTION), 90109-01-002, AND 90109-01-003.**

**WHEREAS,** a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on November 8, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS,** application by Southbound Florence, LLC, owner of TMNs 90108-05-001 (portion), 90109-01-002, and 90109-01-003, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property be incorporated into 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 given the zoning district classification of CG:

**The properties requesting annexation are shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90108, block 05, parcel 001 (0.90 acre); Map 90109, block 01, parcel 002 (0.482141 acre); and Map 90109, block 01, parcel 003 (0.128969 acre).**

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

**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 annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid properties and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classification.**
- 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.**

EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

Approved as to form:

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**James W. Peterson, Jr.**  
City Attorney

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**Teresa Myers Ervin,**  
Mayor

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Casey C. Moore**  
Municipal Clerk

**PC-2022-35**  
**Vicinity Map 409 & 411 Pamplico Highway**



- Legend**
- County address points
  - Streets
  - ▭ Parcels
  - ▭ City Limits
  - ▭ Parcels to be annexed







STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)  
COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:

Florence County Tax Map Number: 90109-02-002, 90109-01-003

3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:

New commercial development. Adjacent property that is part of this project is already in City of Florence

4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents	<u>0</u>
Race	<u>0</u>
Total 18 and Over	<u>0</u>
Total Registered to Vote	<u>0</u>

Date: 10/18/22 Petitioner Signature: Michael Eimbrey

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Petitioner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT(S) (Please print or type): Name(s): Southbound Florence, LLC

Address: 2569 Green Meadows Lane NE, Atlanta GA 30319

Telephone Number: 404-987-2402 [cell] \_\_\_\_\_ [home]

Email Address: mike@southbounddevelopment.com

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition:

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Date: 10/19/22

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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Ordinance To Annex and Zone 925 West Sumter Street, TMN 90060-07-002

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Request to annex property located at 925 West Sumter Street, Tax Map Number 90060-07-002, into the City of Florence and zone it NC-6.1, Neighborhood Conservation-6.1. The request is being made by the property owner.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

On December 13, 2022, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0, to recommend the zoning request of NC-6.1, Neighborhood Conservation-6.1.

**III. 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 utilities.
- (3) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the December 13, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.
- (4) City staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property NC-6.1, Neighborhood Conservation-6.1.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

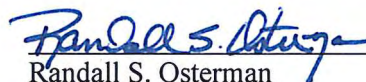
**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petition



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Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager



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Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 925 WEST SUMTER STREET, TMN 90060-07-002.**

**WHEREAS,** a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on December 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS,** application by Janet Brown, owner of TMN 90060-07-002, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property be incorporated into 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 given the zoning district classification of NC-6.1:

**The property requesting annexation is shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90060, block 07, parcel 002 (0.1555 acre).**

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

**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 annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid property and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classifications.**
- 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.**

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ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Approved as to form:

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**James W. Peterson, Jr.**  
City Attorney

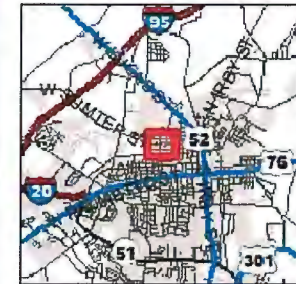
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**Teresa Myers Ervin,**  
Mayor

**Attest:**

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**Casey C. Moore**  
Municipal Clerk

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Vicinity Map - 925 West Sumter Street

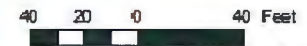


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Date: 11/8/2022

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

- 1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
- 2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:

Florence County Tax Map 90060-07-002

- 3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:

city services

- 4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents	<u>2</u>
Race	<u>Black</u>
Total 18 and Over	<u>2</u>
Total Registered to Vote	<u>1</u>

Date 11-3-2022

Jond Brown  
Petitioner

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Petitioner

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition:	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
Date <u>10/27/22</u>	<u>AB</u>

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Ordinance To Annex and Zone 825 South Church Street, TMN 90105-01-007

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Request to annex property located at 825 South Church Street, Tax Map Number 90105-01-007, into the City of Florence and zone to DS, Destination and Select Use. The request is being made by the property owner.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

On December 13, 2022, Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0, to recommend the zoning request of DS, Destination and Select Use.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) City water services are currently available; there is no sewer service available.
- (3) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the December 13, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.
- (4) City staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property DS, Destination and Select Use.

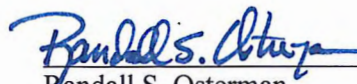
**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petition



Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager



Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager



ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 825 SOUTH CHURCH STREET, TMN 90105-01-007.**

**WHEREAS,** a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on December 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS,** application by the City of Florence, owner of TMN 90105-01-007, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property be incorporated into 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 given the zoning district classification of **DS**:

**The property requesting annexation is shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90105, block 01, parcel 007 (0.259869 acre).**

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

**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 annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid property and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classifications.**
- 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 \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Approved as to form:

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**James W. Peterson, Jr.**  
City Attorney

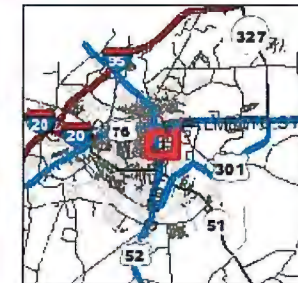
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**Teresa Myers Ervin,**  
Mayor

**Attest:**

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**Casey C. Moore**  
Municipal Clerk

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## Vicinity Map - 825 South Church Street



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- Proposed Parcel

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Date: 11/23/2022

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:  
 Florence County Tax Map Number: 910105-01-007
3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:
4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents 8 Race \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total 18 and Over \_\_\_\_\_ Total Registered to Vote \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT (S) (Please print or type):

Name(s): City of Florence

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ [work] \_\_\_\_\_ [home]

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 11/23/22

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition:	FOR OFFICAL USE ONLY
Date <u>11/23/22</u>	<u>AB</u>

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Ordinance To Annex and Zone 833 South Church Street, TMN 90105-01-018

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Request to annex property located at 833 South Church Street, Tax Map Number 90105-01-018, into the City of Florence and zone to OSR, Open Space and Recreation. The request is being made by the property owner.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

On December 13, 2022, Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0, to recommend the zoning request of OSR, Open Space and Recreation.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) City water services are currently available; there is no sewer service available.
- (3) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the December 13, 2022 Planning Commission meeting.
- (4) City staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property OSR, Open Space and Recreation.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petition



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Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager



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Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 833 SOUTH CHURCH STREET, TMN 90105-01-018.**

**WHEREAS,** a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on December 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS,** application by the City of Florence, owner of TMN 90105-01-018, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property be incorporated into 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 given the zoning district classification of **OSR**:

**The property requesting annexation is shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90105, block 01, parcel 018 (0.717679 acre).**

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

**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 annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid property and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classifications.**
- 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.**

EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**James W. Peterson, Jr.**  
City Attorney

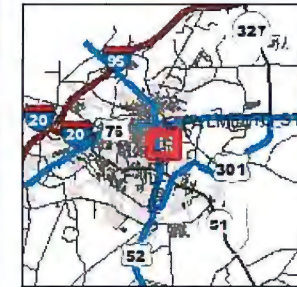
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**Teresa Myers Ervin,**  
Mayor

**Attest:**

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**Casey C. Moore**  
Municipal Clerk

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## Vicinity Map - 833 South Church Street

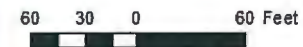


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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.
2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:  
     Florence County Tax Map Number: 90105-01-018
3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:
4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total 18 and Over \_\_\_\_\_ Total Registered to Vote \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT (S) (Please print or type):

Name(s): City of Florence

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ [work] \_\_\_\_\_ [home]

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 11/23/22

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition:	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
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FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** An ordinance to abandon a sewer line and easement located on South Cashua Drive, Florence County Tax Map Number 00100-01-159.

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Abandonment of the City's interest in a sewer line and corresponding easement on the western property line of TMN: 00100-01-159.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

(1) On December 13, 2022 Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0 to recommend the sewer line abandonment to City Council.


**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

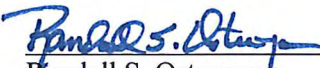
- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) The 8" gravity sewer line (approximately 400 linear feet) provides sanitary sewer service to this parcel only.
- (3) This portion of line currently serves no active customers.
- (4) The associated 20' easement (10' each side of pipe) will also be abandoned by the City since it is no longer needed for City repairs and maintenance.
- (5) The following City of Florence departments were contacted regarding the abandonment of the right-of-way: Fire; Police; Public Works; Utilities; and Planning, Research, and Development. This portion of line currently serves no active customers.
- (6) City Council approves the abandonment of interest in this sewer line and easement, the easement will be removed from the property.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Ordinance
- 2) Vicinity Map
- 3) Location Map
- 4) Utility Map
- 5) Plat with Sewer Line Location
- 6) Site Photo

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ABANDON INTEREST OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE IN A PORTION OF THE SEWER EASEMENT INTERIOR TO FLORENCE COUNTY TAX PARCEL 00100-01-159.**

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made for the City to abandon its interest in a portion of the sewer easement interior to Florence County Tax Parcel 00100-01-159 illustrated on Attachment 5; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-26 of the Code of Ordinances states Council shall act by ordinance in all matters required by law to be done by ordinance, including the conveyance of any lands of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, The following City of Florence departments were contacted regarding the abandonment of the easement: Fire; Police; Public Works; Utilities; and Planning, Research, and Development. None of the aforementioned departments found any reason to maintain the City's interest in this easement.

**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 the City of Florence abandons its interest in a portion of sewer easement which will then revert to the parcel's property owner after the necessary legal documents have been properly executed.
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence.

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**ADOPTED THIS** \_\_\_\_\_ **DAY OF** \_\_\_\_\_, **2023**

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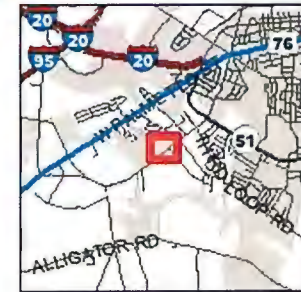
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**City Attorney**

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**Teresa Myers Ervin**  
**Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Casey C. Moore**  
**Municipal Clerk**

### Vicinity Map - South Cashua Drive Sewer Abandonment



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# Location Map - South Cashua Drive Sewer Abandonment



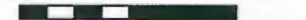
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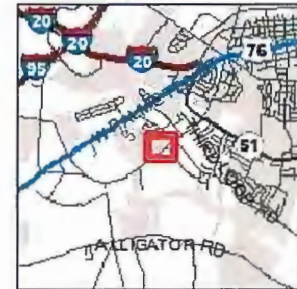
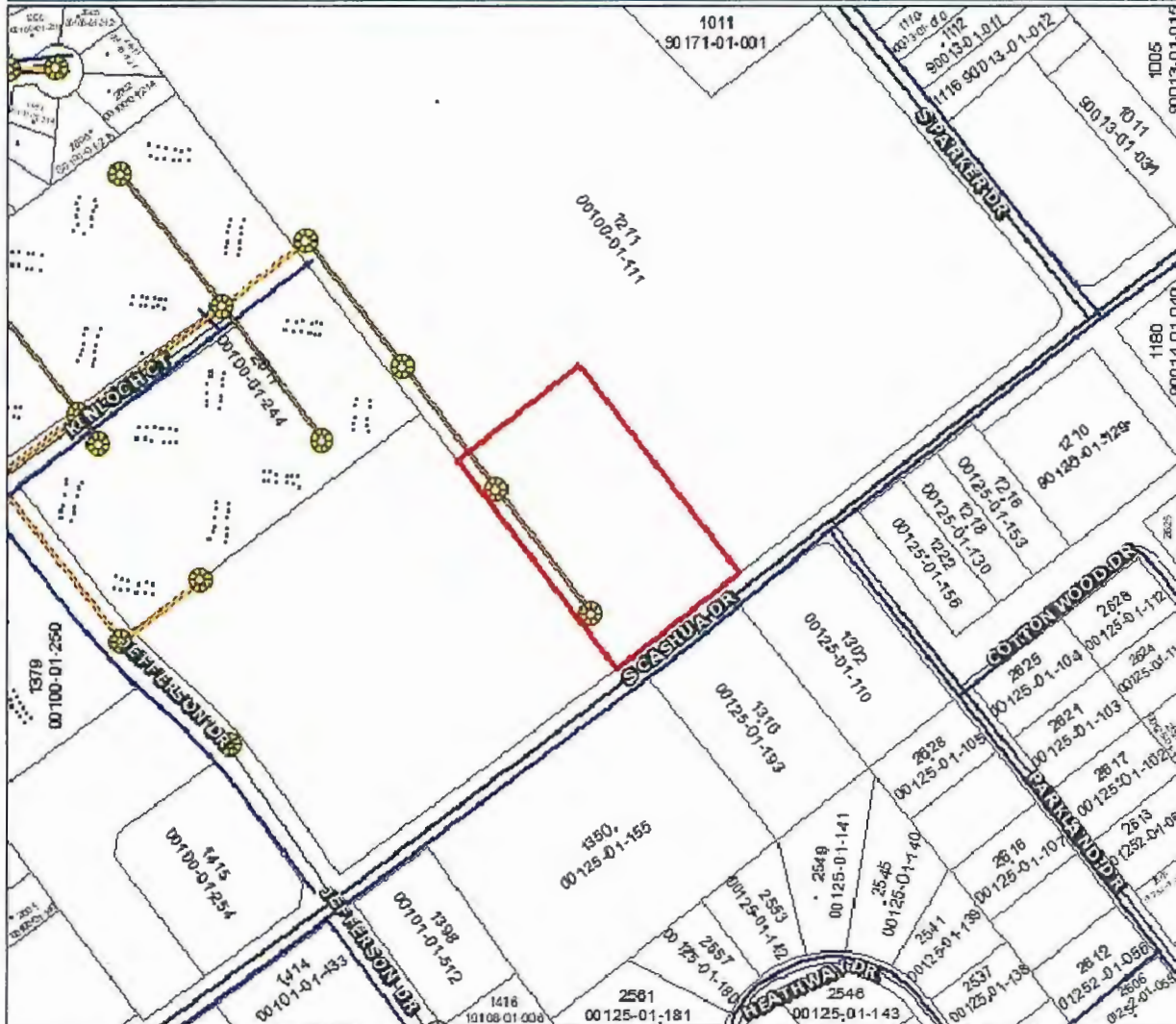
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# Utilities Map - South Cashua Drive Sewer Abandonment

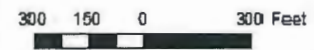


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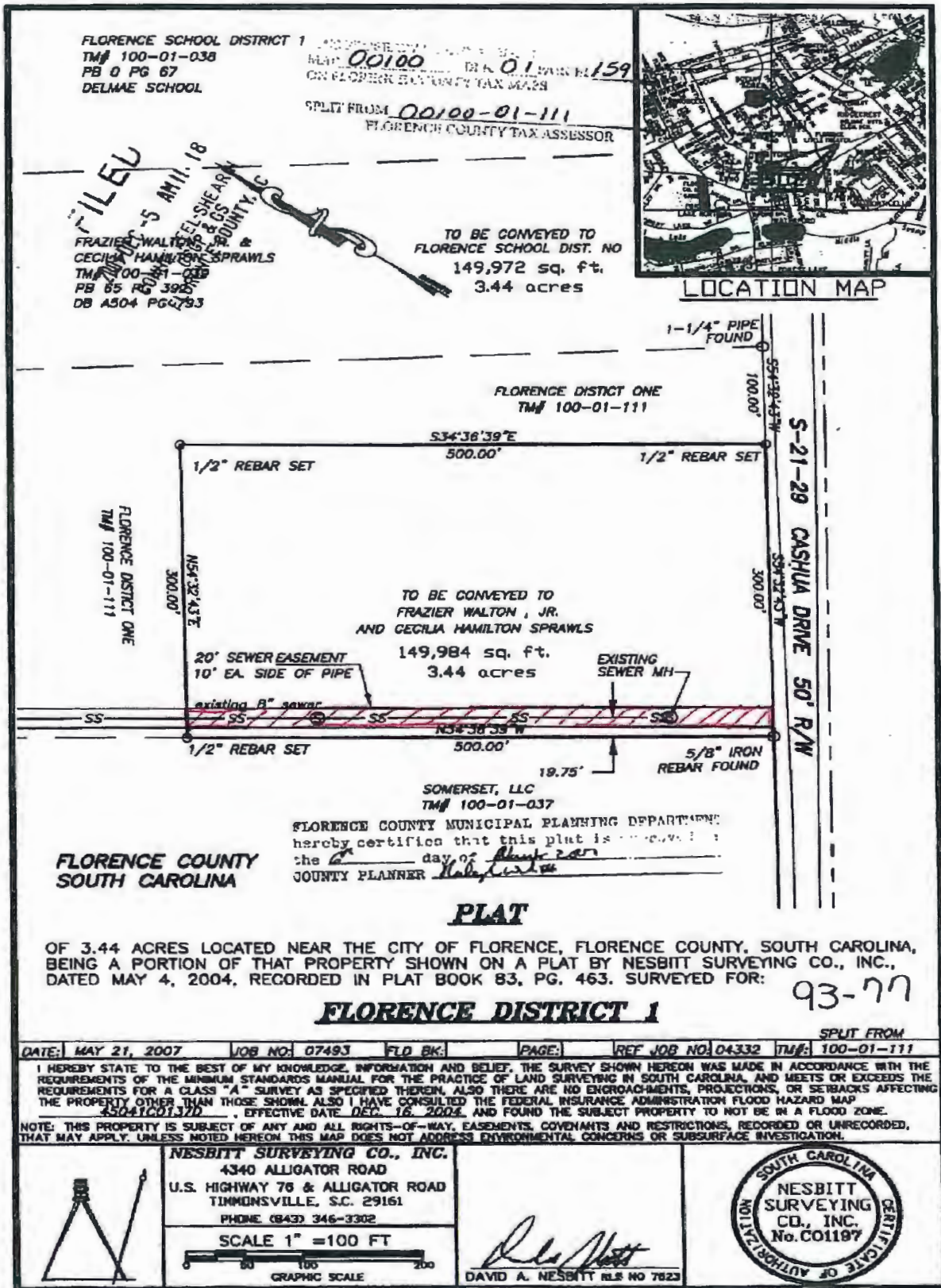
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Attachment 6:



*South Cashua Drive – TM# 00100-01-159*

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** An ordinance to abandon the City right-of-way located on Power Street on the north side of Florence County Tax Map Number 00147-01-072.

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Abandonment of the City of Florence right-of-way, specifically a portion of Power Street bounded on the North by 1308 North Irby Street, 1305 Fraser Street Extension, an extension of the southern property line of 1305 Fraser Street Extension, and TMN 90098-01-010; bounded by 00147-01-021 to the East; bounded by 00147-01-072 to the South; and bounded by North Irby Street proper to the West.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

(1) On December 13, 2022 Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0 to recommend the right-of-way abandonment to City Council.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

- (1) Request is being considered for first reading.
- (2) Proposed construction of a new North Vista Elementary at 1200 North Irby Street is undergoing plan review by the City's Planning, Research & Development Department.
- (3) The school will utilize Power Street as an access point for Kindergarten student drop-off necessitating road upgrades to this existing portion of right-of-way. Currently, any maintenance of Power Street is the responsibility of the City of Florence.
- (4) Most of the traffic on this portion of Power Street will be for parents dropping off students. The City has proposed to Florence School District One (FSD1) that upon abandonment of the portion of right-of-way described above, FSD1 would obtain ownership and be responsible for future maintenance. The remainder of the rights-of-way and streets connected would continue to belong to the City.
- (5) No City utilities run through this portion of right-of-way. No easements would need to be created.
- (6) The following City of Florence departments were contacted regarding the abandonment of the right-of-way: Fire; Police; Public Works; Utilities; and Planning, Research, and Development. None of these departments found any reason to maintain the City's interest in this section of Power Street. If the right-of-way is abandoned by City Council, the property can be acquired by FSD1 through the quit-claim deed process.
- (7) Adjacent property owners were notified by mail of the proposed abandonment.
- (8) No adjacent property owners currently have an access established on this portion of right of way, and will not be impacted by the abandonment.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Ordinance
- 2) Vicinity Map
- 3) Location Map
- 4) Utility Map
- 5) North Vista Elementary – Proposed Kindergarten Drop-off
- 6) Site Photos



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Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager



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Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ABANDON CITY OF FLORENCE INTEREST IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ON POWER STREET BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY 1308 NORTH IRBY STREET, 1305 FRASER STREET EXTENSION, AN EXTENSION OF THE SOUTHERN PROPERTY LINE OF 1305 FRASER STREET EXTENSION, AND TMN 90098-01-010; BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY 00147-01-021; BOUNDED TO THE SOUTH BY 00147-01-072 ; AND BOUNDED TO THE WEST BY NORTH IRBY STREET PROPER.**

**WHEREAS**, a request has been made for the City to abandon its interest in the Power Street Right-of-Way North of Florence County Tax Map Number 00147-01-072.

**WHEREAS**, a Public Hearing was held in the City Center Council Chambers on December 13, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS**, a public notice was published three times in the Morning News prior to the January 9, 2023 City Council meeting as required by City Code Section 2-28(b) and adjacent property owners and utility providers were notified, and:

**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 the City of Florence abandons its interest in the rights-of-way which will then be obtained by Florence School District One after the necessary legal documents have been properly executed.
2. That this Ordinance shall become effective seven days upon its approval and adoption by the City Council of the City of Florence.

**EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE**

**ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023**

**Approved as to form:**

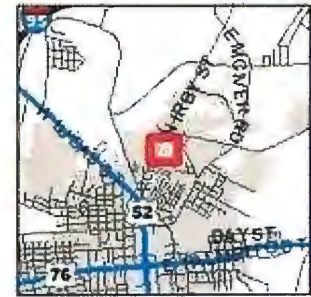
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City Attorney

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Teresa Myers Ervin  
Mayor

**Attest:**

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Casey C. Moore  
Municipal Clerk

## Vicinity Map - Power Street ROW Abandonment



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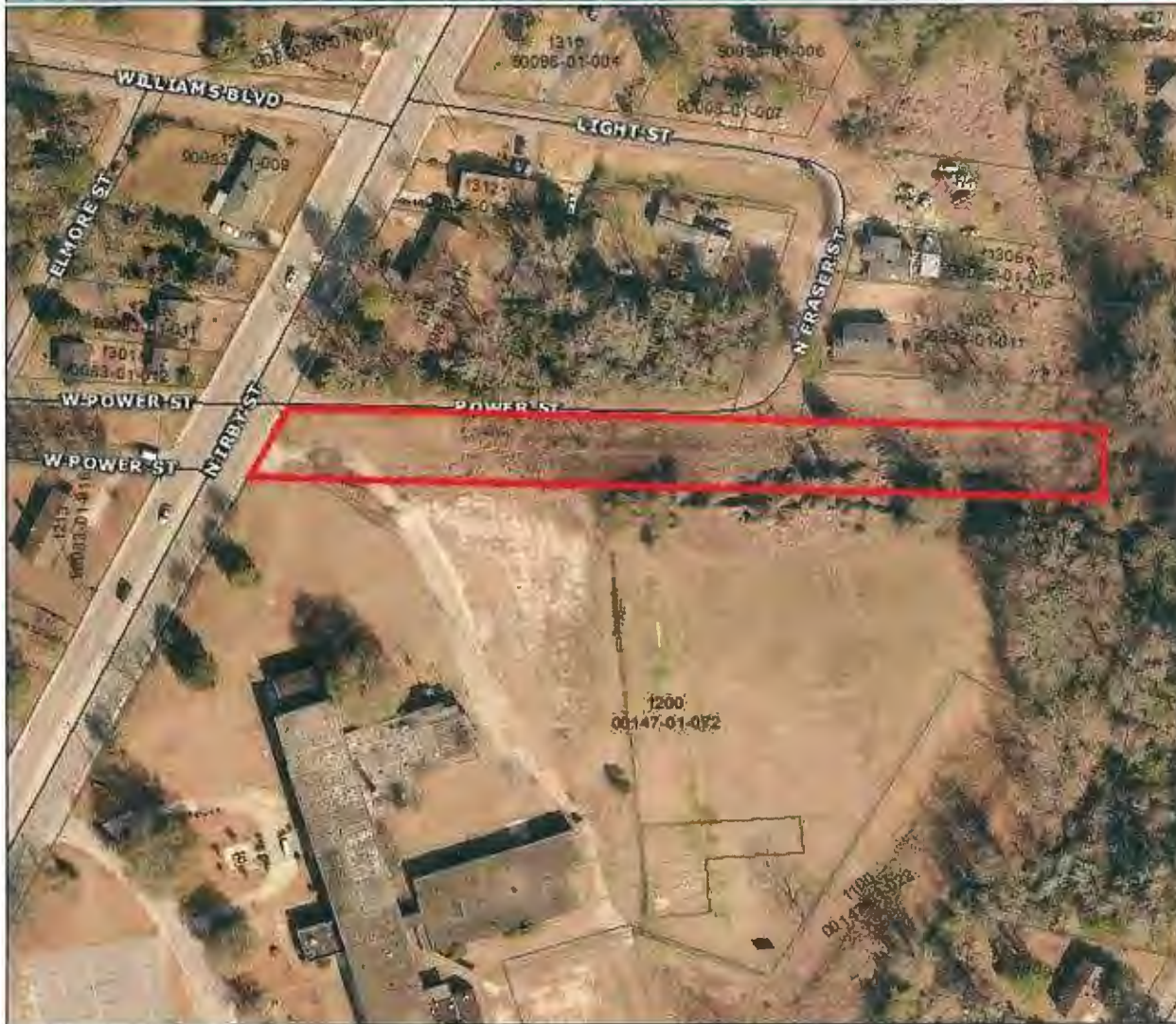


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## Location Map - Power Street ROW Abandonment



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Date: 1/3/2023

# Utilites Map - Power Street ROW Abandonment

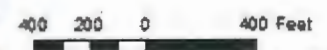


## Legend

-  Manhole
-  Gravity Main
-  Water Mains
-  Parcels



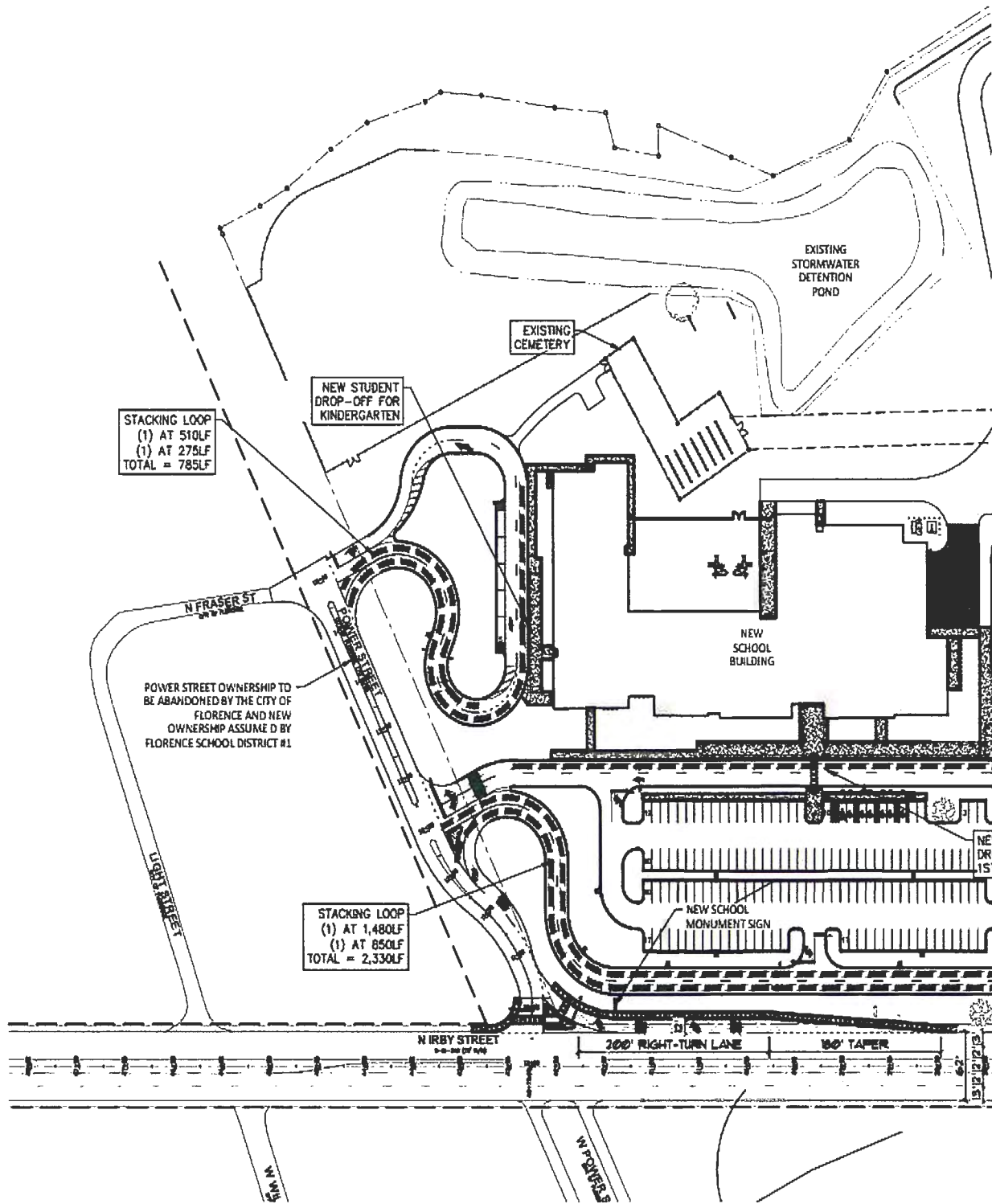
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Attachment 5:



*North Vista Elementary – Proposed Kindergarten Drop-off:*

Attachment 6:



*Power Street looking East*



*Power Street looking East to Undeveloped Portion of Right-of-Way*



*Power Street looking West towards North Irby Street from Fraser Street Extension*



*Power Street looking West towards North Irby Street*

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** February 13, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Ordinance to annex and zone 707 and 709 South Church Street, TMNs 90104-02-015 and 90104-02-030.

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Department of Planning, Research & Development

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Request to annex two lots located at 707 and 709 South Church Street, Tax Map Numbers 90104-02-015 and 90104-02-030, into the City of Florence and zone them NC-6.3, Neighborhood Conservation-6.3. The request is being made by the property owner.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

On January 10, 2023, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter, and voted unanimously, 6-0, to recommend the zoning request of NC-6.3, Neighborhood Conservation-6.3.


**III. 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 utilities.
- (3) A Public Hearing for zoning was held at the January 10, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.
- (4) City staff recommends annexation and concurs with Planning Commission's recommendation to zone the property NC-6.3, Neighborhood Conservation-6.3.

**IV. PERSONAL NOTES:**

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- (1) Ordinance
- (2) Vicinity Map
- (3) Annexation Petition

  
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Clint Moore  
Assistant City Manager

  
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Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND ZONE 707 AND 709 SOUTH CHURCH STREET, TMNs 90104-02-015 and 90104-02-030.**

**WHEREAS,** a Public Hearing was held in the Council Chambers on January 10, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. before the City of Florence Planning Commission, and notice of said hearing was duly given;

**WHEREAS,** application by Raymond Moses, owner of TMNs 90104-02-015 and 90104-02-030, was presented requesting an amendment to the City of Florence Zoning Atlas that the aforesaid property be incorporated into 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 given the zoning district classification of NC-6.3:

**The properties requesting annexation are shown more specifically on Florence County Tax Map 90104, block 02, parcels 015 (0.164387 acre) and 030 (0.164374 acre).**

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

**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 annexing into the City Limits of the City of Florence the aforesaid property and amending the Zoning Atlas to the aforesaid zoning classifications.**
- 2. That this Ordinance shall become effective in 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.**

EXECUTED ON ONE (1) ADDITIONAL PAGE

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

Approved as to form:

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**James W. Peterson, Jr.**  
City Attorney

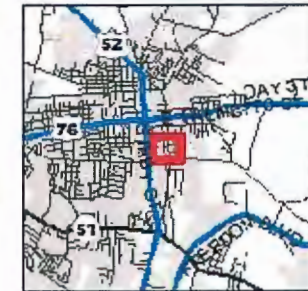
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**Teresa Myers Ervin,**  
Mayor

**Attest:**




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**Casey C. Moore**  
Municipal Clerk

PC 2023-04

Vicinity Map - 707 & 709 S. Church St.



Legend

-  City Limits
-  Parcels
-  Proposed Parcel

PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
**FLORENCE**  
SOUTH CAROLINA

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Date: 12/15/2022

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION

COUNTY OF FLORENCE)

Petition requesting Florence City Council to enact an Ordinance annexing the area described below, that area being the same property as shown by the map prepared by the City of Florence Planning, Research, and Development Department, attached and incorporated by reference herein:

The undersigned freeholder property owner(s) hereby respectfully certifies, petitions, and requests of the City Council of Florence as follows:

1. The petitioners are the sole owner(s) of real estate in the County of Florence, State of South Carolina which property lies adjacent and contiguous to the corporate limits of the City of Florence.

2. That the petitioner(s) desires to annex the property more particularly described below:

Florence County Tax Map Number: 90104-02-030, 90104-02-015

3. Annexation is being sought for the following purposes:

ensure residential zoning

4. That the petitioner(s) request that the City Council of Florence annex the above described property in accordance with subsection 31 of 5-3-150(3) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina for 1976, such section allowing the annexation of an area without the necessity of an election and referendum.

To the Petitioner: The following information needs to be completed for submittal to the City of Florence and other government agencies for records prior to and after annexation.

Total Residents 0 Race \_\_\_\_\_  
Total 18 and Over \_\_\_\_\_ Total Registered to Vote \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT (S) (Please print or type):

Name(s): Raymond L. Moses

Address: 504 Prince St.

Telephone Numbers: 843 6623820 [work] \_\_\_\_\_ [home]

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Raymond L. Moses Date 12-13-2022

Certification as to ownership on the date of petition: FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY  
Date 12/14/22 \_\_\_\_\_

check 709



VII. b.  
Resolution No.  
2023-05

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** February 13, 2023  
**AGENDA ITEM:** Resolution  
**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** City Council  
Sponsored by Councilman Chaquez McCall

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

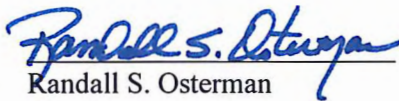
A Resolution to adopt the South Carolina Municipal Association 2023 Advocacy Initiatives.

**II. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

1. The Municipal Association of South Carolina identified major challenges facing cities and towns in the state through an all-inclusive process involving hundreds of municipal officials.
2. The 2023-2024 Advocacy Initiatives represent solutions to challenges that can be addressed through changes to state law.

**III. ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Proposed Resolution
2. 2023-2024 Advocacy initiatives



Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

(STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)  
( )  
(CITY OF FLORENCE)

**Resolution No. 2023-05**

**A Resolution to adopt the South Carolina Municipal Association 2023 Advocacy Initiatives.**

**WHEREAS,** cities and towns in South Carolina are the government closest to the people providing the core services residents and businesses demand for an exceptional quality of life; and

**WHEREAS,** local decisions affecting residents and local businesses should be made by local leaders; and

**WHEREAS,** cities and towns seek to make numerous small changes in current state law to support new and existing local industry and businesses, changes in public health and safety, and continuity of service delivery; and

**WHEREAS,** cities and towns seek to support legislation that adds more tools to the toolbox for local governments to expand and create programs to help residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Florence fully supports the 2023 advocacy initiatives set forth by the Municipal Association of SC board of directors for city and town councils to govern effectively and efficiently; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the City Council of the City of Florence affirms its support for the Municipal Association's 2023 advocacy initiatives for the benefit of all of South Carolina's 271 cities and town.

**RESOLVED THIS 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.**

Approved as to form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.  
CITY ATTORNEY

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TERESA MYERS ERVIN  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CASEY C. MOORE  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

The Municipal Association's 2023 – 2024 advocacy initiatives include these items:

- Protect the authority of cities and towns to regulate short-term rentals within municipal boundaries.
- Expand local economic development incentives to cities and towns to allow municipal officials to increase the number of small businesses in downtowns.
- Support traffic safety measures including a ban on "squat trucks" and other local safety ordinances.
- Support statewide hate crimes legislation.
- Allow cities and towns under a certain revenue threshold to complete a compilation of financial statements instead of a full audit.
- Allow cities and towns to close doughnut holes, or enclaves, in their municipal limits through a local annexation process.
- Require code enforcement liens to be billed and collected by cities, towns and counties in a method similar to what is used for property taxes.
- Allow cities and towns with no property tax millage to impose a millage with certain limitations.
- Create an option for municipal residents to approve a Municipal Option Sales Tax penny tax for capital projects within the city limits.

- Support stronger penalties for illegal fentanyl trafficking and possession.
- Clarify how state U.S. Census population estimates for cities and towns are determined, and create an appeals process for resolving potential differences in the estimates between the state and municipalities.

**FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**VII. c.  
Resolution No.  
2023-06**

**DATE:** February 13, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** A resolution approving an investment policy for the City of Florence.

**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Finance

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

For City Council consideration is a resolution approving an investment policy for the City of Florence.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

1. Several months ago, the City contracted with a company named three+one to perform a detailed cash flow analysis of the City's various cash and investment accounts.
2. As a result of this analysis, the City has invested more funds in both US Treasury securities and in certificates of deposit. These investments have yielded a larger amount of interest income for the City.
3. This company has also now recommended that the City adopt a formal investment policy, which will serve as a guide for the City's future investments and also enhance the City's bond rating.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**


1. Staff recommends adoption of the resolution.
2. Attached to the resolution and incorporated by reference is the proposed investment policy.


**IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval and adoption of the proposed investment policy.

**V. ATTACHMENTS:**

1. A resolution authorizing the approval of the investment policy.
2. A copy of the proposed investment policy.

  
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Kevin V. Yokim  
Assistant City Manager

  
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Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-xx**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF FLORENCE.**

1. Several months ago, the City contracted with a company named three+one to perform a detailed cash flow analysis of the City's various cash and investment accounts.
2. As a result of this analysis, the City has invested more funds in both US Treasury securities and in certificates of deposit. These investments have yielded a larger amount of interest income for the City.
3. This company has also now recommended that the City adopt a formal investment policy, which will serve as a guide for the City's future investments and also enhance the City's bond rating.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BASED UPON THE FINDINGS OF FACT REFERENCED AND SET OUT ABOVE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA AS FOLLOWS:**

- a. The City hereby approves the **INVESTMENT POLICY** attached and incorporated by reference.

**AND IT IS SO RESOLVED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**JAMES W. PETERSON, JR.**  
City Attorney

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**TERESA MYERS ERVIN**  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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**CASEY C. MOORE**  
Municipal Clerk

## **Investment and Liquidity Policy Statement Guidelines**

### **I. SCOPE**

This investment policy applies to all moneys and other financial resources available for deposit and investment by the City of Florence (the City) on its behalf or behalf of any other entity or individual.

### **II. OBJECTIVES**

The primary objectives of the local government's investment activities are, in priority order:

1. To conform with all applicable federal, State, and other legal requirements (legality);
2. To adequately safeguard principal (safety);
3. To provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements (liquidity) and;
4. To obtain a reasonable rate of return (yield).

To appropriately meet these objectives, the City will make investment decisions based on categories of cash with which the time horizon is continually calculated using a liquidity analysis of past and anticipated future financial requirements.

### **III. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

The governing body delegates the City Manager or designee to maintain responsibility for the administration of the investment program and to establish written procedures for the operation of the investment program consistent with that which is authorized or permitted by S.C. Code of Laws §6-5-10 and this investment policy. Such procedures shall include internal controls to provide a satisfactory level of accountability based upon records incorporating the description and amounts of investments, the fund(s) for which they are held, the place(s) where kept, and other relevant information, including dates of sale or other dispositions and amounts realized. In addition, the internal control procedures shall describe the responsibilities and levels of authority for key individuals involved in the investment program.

The City Manager or designee shall maintain this responsibility until the delegation of authority terminates or is revoked.

### **IV. PRUDENCE**

All participants in the investment process shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that might impair public confidence in the City to govern effectively. Investments shall be made with prudence, diligence, skill, judgment, and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which knowledgeable and prudent persons acting in like capacity would use, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of the principal as well as the probable income to be derived.

All participants involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution of the investment program or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

## **V. INTERNAL CONTROLS**

It is the policy of the City for all moneys collected by any officer or employee of the government to transfer those funds to the City Manager or designee within two (2) days of deposit or within the time period specified in the law, whichever is shorter.

The City Manager or designee is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control procedures to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization, properly recorded and managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

## **VI. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS**

The City may utilize the services of any bank or trust company authorized to do business within the state and is encouraged to diversify its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

All financial institutions and dealers with which the City transacts business shall be creditworthy and have an appropriate level of experience, capitalization, size, and other factors that make the financial institution or the dealer capable and qualified to transact business with the City.

## **VII. COLLATERALIZATION**

All demand and time deposits of City in excess of the amount insured under the provision of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act-

\$250,000 Transaction Accounts  
\$250,000 Time Deposits  
\$500,000 Total Coverage

shall be secured as permitted by eligible collateral under S.C. Code of Laws §11-1-50. There are two methods of collateralization available to a depository bank for local entities:

- Dedicated Method – Securities are pledged by the depository bank (pledgor) to a specific custodian (pledgee) to secure the uninsured deposits of the City.
- Pooling Method – Securities are pledged by the depository bank (pledgor) to the State Treasurer (pledgee) to secure the uninsured deposits of all enrolled local entities that may have funds on deposit with the institution.

1) A pledge of eligible securities with required margins, as provided in S.C. Code of Laws §11-1-50, which is provided in Appendix A.

## **VIII. SECURING DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

All deposits and investments at a bank or trust company, including all demand deposits, certificates of deposit and special time deposits (hereinafter, collectively, "deposits") made by officers of the City that are in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.



- (A) As used in this section, “local entity” means the City.
- (B) A qualified public depository, as defined in subsection (G), upon the deposit of funds by a local entity, must secure these deposits by deposit insurance, surety bonds, investment securities, or letters of credit to protect the local entity against loss in the event of insolvency or liquidation of the institution or for any other cause.
- (C) To the extent that these deposits exceed the amount of insurance coverage provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the qualified public depository at the time of deposit must:
- (1) furnish an indemnity bond in a responsible surety company authorized to do business in this State; or
  - (2) pledge as collateral:
    - (a) obligations of the United States;
    - (b) obligations fully guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States;
    - (c) general obligations of this State or any political subdivision of this State; or
    - (d) obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; or
  - (3) provide an irrevocable letter of credit issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, in which the local entity is named as beneficiary and the letter of credit otherwise meets the criteria established and prescribed by the local entity.
- (D) The local entity must exercise prudence in accepting collateral securities or other forms of deposit security.
- (E) (1) A qualified public depository has the following options:
- (a) to secure all or a portion of uninsured funds under the Dedicated Method where all or a portion of the uninsured funds are secured separately. The qualified public depository shall maintain a record of all securities pledged, with the record being an official record of the qualified public depository and made available to examiners or representatives of all regulatory agencies. The local entity shall maintain a record of the securities pledged for monitoring purposes;
  - (b) to secure all or the remainder of uninsured funds under the Pooling Method where a pool of collateral is established by the qualified public depository under the direction of the State Treasurer for the benefit of local entities. The depository shall obtain written approval from each entity before pooling an entity’s collateral. The depository shall maintain a record of all securities pledged, with the record being an official record of the qualified public depository and made available to examiners or representatives of all regulatory agencies. The State Treasurer shall determine the requirements and operating procedures for this pool. The State Treasurer is responsible for monitoring and ensuring a depository’s compliance and providing monthly reports to each local entity in the pool.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of item (1), the local entity, when other federal or state law applies, may require a qualified public depository to secure all uninsured funds separately under the Dedicated Method.
- (F) A qualified public depository shall not accept or retain any funds that are required to be secured unless it has deposited eligible collateral equal to its required collateral with some proper depository pursuant to this chapter.

(G) "Qualified public depository" means a national banking association, state banking association, federal savings and loan association, or federal savings bank located in this State and a bank, trust company, or savings institution organized under the law of this State that receives or holds funds that are secured pursuant to this chapter.

(H) In addition to the investments authorized for local entities in Section 6-5-10 and notwithstanding another provision of law, a local entity may deposit all or a portion of surplus public funds in its control or possession in accordance with the following conditions:

- (1) the funds are initially deposited in a qualified public depository selected by the local entity;
- (2) the selected qualified public depository arranges for depositing the funds in one or more federally insured banks or savings and loan associations, wherever located, for the account of the local entity;
- (3) the full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each deposit is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and
- (4) the selected qualified public depository acts as custodian for the local entity with respect to each deposit.

**IX. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS**

As provided by the State of South Carolina Code of Laws Section 6-5-10, the City Council authorizes The City Manager or designee to invest money's not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- (1) Obligations of the United States and its agencies, the principal and interest of which is fully guaranteed by the United States.
- (2) Obligations issued by the Federal Financing Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, the Bank of Cooperatives, the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, the Federal Land Banks, the Federal Home Loan Banks, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal Housing Administration, and the Farmers Home Administration, if, at the time of investment, the obligor has a long-term, unenhanced, unsecured debt rating in one of the top two ratings categories, without regard to a refinement or gradation of rating category by numerical modifier or otherwise, issued by at least two nationally recognized credit rating organizations.
- (3)(i) General obligations of the State of South Carolina or any of its political units; or (ii) revenue obligations of the State of South Carolina or its political units, if at the time of investment, the obligor has a long-term, unenhanced, unsecured debt rating in one of the top two ratings categories, without regard to a refinement or gradation of rating category by numerical modifier or otherwise, issued by at least two nationally recognized credit rating organizations.
- (4) Savings and Loan Associations to the extent that the same are insured by an agency of the federal government.
- (5) Certificates of deposit where the certificates are collaterally secured by securities of the type described in (1) and (2) above held by a third party as escrow agent or custodian, of a market value not less than the amount of the certificates of deposit so secured, including interest; provided, however, such collateral shall not be required to the extent the same are insured by an agency of the federal government.
- (6) Repurchase agreements when collateralized by securities as set forth in this section.
- (7) No load open-end or closed-end management type investment companies or investment

trusts registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, where the investment is made by a bank or trust company or savings and loan association or other financial institution when acting as trustee or agent for a bond or other debt issue of that local government unit, political subdivision, or county treasurer if the particular portfolio of the investment company or investment trust in which the investment is made (i) is limited to obligations described in items (1), (2), (3), and (6) of this subsection, and (ii) has among its objectives the attempt to maintain a constant net asset value of one dollar a share and to that end, value its assets by the amortized cost method.

(8) A political subdivision receiving Medicaid funds appropriated by the General Assembly in the annual general appropriations act may utilize appropriated funds and other monies generated by hospital operations to participate in principal protected investments in the form of notes, bonds, guaranteed investment contracts, debentures, or other contracts issued by a bank chartered in the United States or agency of a bank if chartered in the United States, financial institution, insurance company, or other entity which provides for full principal payment at the end of a contract term not to exceed twelve years if the issuer has received a rating in one of three highest general rating categories issued by no fewer than two nationally recognized credit rating organizations. No more than forty percent of the appropriated funds and other monies generated by hospital operations may be invested in the manner provided in this item. Revenue realized pursuant to these investments must be expended on health care services.

(b) The provisions of this chapter shall not impair the power of a municipality, county, school district or other local governmental unit or political subdivision or county treasurer to hold funds in deposit accounts with banking institutions as otherwise authorized by law.

(c) Such investments shall have maturities consistent with the time or times when the invested moneys will be needed in cash.

(d) For purposes of subsection (a), in the case of a defeased obligation, an obligation shall be treated as the obligation of the issuer of the obligation included in the qualifying defeasance escrow for the defeased obligation. A "defeased obligation" means any obligation the payment of which is secured and payable solely from a qualifying defeasance escrow and the terms of which may not be amended or modified without the consent of each of the holders of the defeased obligation. A "qualifying defeasance escrow" means a deposit of securities, including defeasance obligations, with a trustee or similar fiduciary under the terms of an agreement that requires the trustee or fiduciary to apply the proceeds of any interest payments or maturity of the defeasance obligation to the payment of the defeased obligation and when the trustee or fiduciary has received verification from a certified public accountant that the payments will be sufficient to pay the defeased obligation timely. A defeasance obligation must not be callable or subject to prepayment by the issuer and it must be a direct general obligation of the United States and its agencies, or an obligation the payment of principal and interest on which is fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the United States.

(9) The South Carolina Pooled Investment Fund. The City may deposit public monies in excess of current needs into the South Carolina Pooled Investment Fund.

Except as may otherwise be provided in a contract with bondholders, noteholders, or any applicable laws, any moneys of the City authorized to be invested may be commingled for investment purposes, provided that any investment of commingled moneys shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the City within such time as the proceeds shall be needed to meet expenditures for which such moneys were obtained. The separate identity of the sources of these funds shall be maintained at all times and income received shall be credited on a pro rata basis to the fund or account from which the moneys were invested.

#### **X. ANNUAL REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS**

The City shall review this investment policy annually, and it shall have the power to amend this policy at any time.

## Appendix A

Protection of deposits of public funds and trust funds by Federal deposit insurance; other security. Such portion of the public monies as may be on deposit in any bank and protected by Federal deposit insurance shall be exempt from the requirement that security be furnished for it by such bank and security shall be required only for such portion of such deposits as shall exceed the amount covered by such insurance. All public officers who have deposited public funds in banks for which security or collateral is required shall obtain it only for the amount by which the particular deposit exceeds the sum protected by Federal deposit insurance. Such portions of trust funds as may be on deposit in any bank and for which security is now required shall be secured only for the amount by which the same exceeds the amount protected by Federal deposit insurance. Eligible Collateral and Associated Margins are outlined below.

### ELIGIBLE COLLATERAL AND ASSOCIATED MARGINS

<b>Obligations of the United States or Guaranteed P&amp;I by the United States</b>			
<b>Obligations of the United States</b>	<b>Margin</b>	<b>Governmental Nat'l Mortgage Assn.</b>	<b>Margin</b>
US Bonds, Notes, Bills, Strips	102%	GNMAS	102%

<b>General Obligations of S.C. or Political Subdivisions of S.C.</b>			
<b>Obligations of South Carolina</b>	<b>Margin</b>	<b>Obligations of Political Subdivisions</b>	<b>Margin</b>
General Obligations	102%	General Obligations	105%

<b>Obligations of Certain Federal Agencies</b>	<b>Margin</b>
Federal National Mortgage Association	105%
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.	105%
Federal Home Loan Bank	105%
Federal Farm Credit Bank	105%

In the event of the Qualified Public Depository having a capital adequacy condition of less than "adequately capitalized," based on criteria established by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the State Treasurer may, in his discretion, require the above-specified margins to be greater.

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** February 13, 2023  
**AGENDA ITEM:** Report to Council  
**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** City Council

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

Council will consider nominations for City Boards and/or Commissions.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

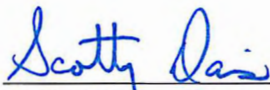
1. There are four (4) Boards or Commissions that have either a vacancy and/or expired term.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER:**

1. Each member of a City of Florence Board or Commission shall be either a resident of the city, a representative of a business or other organization located or operating within the city, or a non-resident having professional qualifications which are required for a position, and, in the council's opinion, there are no acceptable and qualified residents to fill the vacancy.
2. Members of the boards and commissions shall be appointed in consideration of their professional expertise, knowledge of the community, and concern for the future welfare of the total community and its citizens.

**IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Spreadsheet of Council Nominations to Boards and Commissions.
2. Nomination Packet.



Scotty Davis  
Deputy City Manager



Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager

**SCHEDULE OF COUNCIL NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - FEBRUARY 2023**

	District 1	District 2	District 3	At-Large 1	At-Large 2	At-Large-3	Mayor
	Jackson	Smith	Braddock	Jebaily	Barnes	McCall	Ervin
City-County Memorial Stadium Commission						x	
Public Safety Citizen's Review Board							x
Board of Zoning Appeals		x					
Design Review Board			x	x			

## MEMORIAL STADIUM COMMISSION

### **I. NOMINATIONS:**

There is one (1) vacancy\* on the Stadium Commission. Commission members shall be appointed by Florence County Council upon the recommendation of City Council.

\*Chappell Jones has resigned his position on the Commission. The unexpired term of Mr. Jones will expire on 11/30/2025.

### **II. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:**

- Councilman McCall

### **III. APPLICANT(S):**

- Robert Pridgen

### **IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

Letter of resignation  
Applications received



October 30, 2022

Gerald D. Holley, Chairman  
Florence City-County Stadium Commission  
Post Office Box 13863  
Florence, SC 29504

Dear Mr Holley:

I hereby submit my resignation for my seat on the Florence City-County Stadium Commission for personal reasons. I hold Seat #1 on the Commission which is allocated to the City of Florence.

I have enjoyed my years of service on the Commission.

Sincerely,  
  
Chappell Jones

# City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

**Board or Commission for which you are applying:**  
City-County Memorial Stadium Commission

**Council District** District 1  
**County** Florence

**Your Name**  
Pridgen, Robert Lee

**Email Address**  
robert.pridgen@gmail.com

**Residential Address**  
3155 McCracken Dr, Florence, South Carolina  
29505

**Mailing Address**  
3155 McCracken Dr, Florence, South Carolina  
29505

**Your Occupation - Title**  
Teacher

**Business Phone**  
(843) 662-0454

**Residence Phone**  
(843) 309-1926

**Employer Name**  
Florence Christian  
School

**Employer Address**  
101 Frank Monroe Dr

**City** Florence  
**State** South Carolina

## General Qualifications

**Are you a resident of the City?**  
Yes

**If so, how Long?**  
13

**Why would you like to serve?**  
To Serve the community of Florence

**Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?**  
No

**Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?**  
No

**Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence?** Yes/No  
No

**If so, list the position and date:** **Are you involved in any Community Activities?** **If so, please list:**  
No

**What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?**  
To make the baseball field a better place

## PUBLIC SAFETY CITIZEN'S REVIEW BOARD

### **I. NOMINATIONS:**

There is one (1) vacancy\* on the Public Safety Citizen's Review Board.

\* Victor Webster has resigned from his position on the Board. Mr. Webster's unexpired term will expire on 6/30/2024.

### **II. APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

- Must be a city resident
- At least 21 years of age

### **III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:**

- Mayor Ervin

### **IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):**

- David Jones

### **V. ATTACHMENTS**

- Letter of resignation
- Applications received

## Casey Moore

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**From:** Jennifer Krawiec  
**Sent:** Monday, November 7, 2022 2:38 PM  
**To:** Casey Moore  
**Cc:** Randy Osterman  
**Subject:** Resignation--Public Safety Citizen Review Board

Casey,  
Good afternoon! Please see below.

<JLK>

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**From:** Victor Webster <[victor@sweetgrassvodka.com](mailto:victor@sweetgrassvodka.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 7, 2022 2:37 PM  
**To:** Jennifer Krawiec <[jkrawiec@cityofflorence.com](mailto:jkrawiec@cityofflorence.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Public Safety Citizen Review Board Agenda, 11/17 Training

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Ok. Sounds good. I'll go ahead and resign. :(

**Victor Nance Webster**  
Owner  
Sweetgrass Vodka  
Charleston, S. Carolina  
843-453-2792  
[victor@sweetgrassvodka.com](mailto:victor@sweetgrassvodka.com)

On Nov 7, 2022, at 2:35 PM, Jennifer Krawiec <[jkrawiec@cityofflorence.com](mailto:jkrawiec@cityofflorence.com)> wrote:

Hi, Victor. It might be best to resign since you are not able to attend the trainings and meetings. Once you get settled back in Florence, you could reapply when there is a vacancy. Please let me know what you decide to do.

Best regards,  
Jennifer

<JLK>

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**From:** Victor Webster <[victor@sweetgrassvodka.com](mailto:victor@sweetgrassvodka.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 7, 2022 2:08 PM

# City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

**Board or Commission for which you are applying:**

Public Safety Citizen's Review Board

**Council District**

District 3

**County**

Florence

**Your Name**

Jones, Jr. Roy Davidson (David)

**Email Address**

david@themasterschoice.org

**Residential Address**

1200 Rutledge Ave, Florence, South Carolina 29505

**Mailing Address**

PO BOX 12446, FLORENCE, South Carolina 29504

**Your Occupation - Title**

CEO

**Business Phone**

(843) 942-0447

**Residence Phone**

(843) 618-6440

**Employer Name**

The Master's Choice, Inc. 2217 W Driftwood Ave

**Employer Address**

**City**

Florence

**State**

South Carolina

## General Qualifications

**Are you a resident of the City?**

Yes

**If so, how Long?**

14

**Why would you like to serve?**

I have served in emergency services since 1981. I currently still volunteer as a Paramedic with Timmons ville Rescue Squad. I feel it is my duty to continue to give back to the profession I love and seek to keep it both controlled and progressive in the care delivered.

**Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?**

No

**If so, please list:**

NA

**Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State?**

No

**If so, please list:**

In the 1990's I served as a member of the NC Association of EMT's and I chaired the Paramedic Committee.

**Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence?**

**Yes/No**

**If so, list the position and date:**

NA

**Are you involved in any Community Activities?**

Yes

**If so, please list:**

I serve as a volunteer Paramedic and advisor for Timmons ville Rescue Squad. I coordinate with and sponsor numerous events with the Senior Citizens Association

(Leatherman Senior Center).

**What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?**

I want to help direct the oversight and funding of emergency services. While every wish and whim cannot be funded, emergency services should not be starved either. Common sense and fiscal responsibility is key.

**I certify that the information above is true and correct.**

**Today's Date**  
5/11/2022

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**Information on this form will be considered public.**

**Today's Date**  
5/11/2022

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## CITY OF FLORENCE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

### **I. NOMINATIONS:**

There is one (1) vacancy\* on the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- Mr. Larry Adams has resigned from his position on the Board. The unexpired term of Mr. Adams will expire on June 30, 2025.

### **II. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:**

- Councilman Smith

### **III. NEW APPLICANT(S):**

There are currently no applications on file for this Board.

### **IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

- Letters of resignation

## Casey Moore

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**From:** Casey Moore  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 8:42 AM  
**To:** Casey Moore  
**Subject:** FW: Larry Adams' resignation

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**From:** Larry Adams <[jadama2013@gmail.com](mailto:jadama2013@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 21, 2022 11:16 AM  
**To:** Alane Zlotnicki <[azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com](mailto:azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Tomorrow's BZA meeting

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Thanks for the information Alane. I did attend meetings in 2022, but please accept this as my resignation.

Thank you,

Larry Adams

On Dec 21, 2022, at 11:13 AM, Alane Zlotnicki <[azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com](mailto:azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com)> wrote:

Mr. Adams,

I have been looking at the board membership rolls. According to the City of Florence Code of Ordinances, a board or commission member who misses three consecutive meetings or fifty percent of the meetings during a one year period shall be removed from the board/commission.

According to my records, you missed all nine Board of Zoning Appeals meetings in 2022. To avoid being removed by the chairman, you can officially resign from the Board by emailing your request to do so to me. City Council will then reappoint your position on the Board.

Let me know if you decide to officially resign, or if you have any questions.

Thank you,

**Alane Zlotnicki, AICP**  
**SENIOR PLANNER - PLANNING, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT**  
City of Florence. 324 W. Evans St. Florence, SC 29501  
843.665.2047 Ext. 1101. [azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com](mailto:azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com)



## DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

### **I. NOMINATIONS:**

There are two (2) vacancies\* on the Design Review Board:

- Mr. Jay Ham has resigned from his position on the Board. Mr. Ham fulfilled the role of General Contractor. The unexpired term of Mr. Ham will expire on June 30, 2023.
- Mr. Erik Healy has resigned from his position on the Board. Mr. Healy fulfilled the role of Landscape Architect. The unexpired term of Mr. Healy will expire on June 30, 2024.

### **II. APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

(A) Commercial General Contractor licensed by the State of South Carolina

(B) Person specifically qualified by reason of education, training, or experience in landscape design

### **III. COUNCILMEMBER(S) TO MAKE NOMINATION:**

- Councilman Braddock
- Councilman Jebaily

### **IV. NEW APPLICANT(S):**

- David Lowe (meets qualifications of (B) above – Appointment Requirements)

### **V. ATTACHMENTS:**

- Letters of resignation
- Applications received

## Casey Moore

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**From:** Alane Zlotnicki  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 21, 2022 2:05 PM  
**To:** Clint Moore; Casey Moore  
**Cc:** Jamie Carsten (jamiiec@abbank.com)  
**Subject:** FW: DRB Resignation  
**Attachments:** Jay Ham Information.pdf

From Jay Ham. He only made it to one meeting in all of 2022. He fulfilled the role of general contractor.

Alane

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**From:** Jay Ham <jay.ham@rainsco.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 21, 2022 1:59 PM  
**To:** Alane Zlotnicki <azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com>  
**Subject:** RE: DRB Resignation

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Dear Alane,

Please accept this email as my official request to resign from my position on the City of Florence Design Review Board. My work over the past year has caused me to travel extensively and I do not see it changing in the near future. I have enjoyed my time on the board and working with the staff and fellow board members.

Regards,

**James (Jay) A. Ham, Jr.**  
Senior Vice President

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## Casey Moore

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**From:** Alane Zlotnicki  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 28, 2022 9:08 AM  
**To:** Casey Moore; Clint Moore  
**Subject:** FW: DRB resignation (Erik Healy)

FYI.

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**From:** Erik Healy <erik@healyhorticulture.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 21, 2022 6:29 PM  
**To:** Alane Zlotnicki <azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com>  
**Subject:** Re: DRB

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Alane,

I would like to resign.

All the travel for work keeps me gone a lot. I'd like to assist or help the city in anyway I can. Perhaps there is something else in the planning Dept y'all may need from a planting or landscape design side.

I'm not sure if the city has this but a lot of the municipalities I work with have list of preferred plant material and list of plants not allowed i.e. Bradford pear. One of the common street trees planted right now is lacebark elm however it is extremely invasive and should not be used in areas where it can seed in.

When I worked with Moore Farms in lake city we conduct a survey of the trees on public property in lake city and determined 70% were either crape Myrtle or dogwood so in turn we put a hold on planting anymore of these species until the diversity was more balanced.

Not sure if the city is interested in any of this but I'm happy to help in anyway. Thanks

Erik

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 21, 2022, at 11:19 AM, Alane Zlotnicki <[azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com](mailto:azlotnicki@cityofflorence.com)> wrote:

Mr. Healy,

I have been looking at the board membership rolls. According to the City of Florence Code of Ordinances, a board or commission member who misses three consecutive meetings or fifty percent of the meetings during a one year period shall be removed from the board/commission.

According to my records, you missed 8 out of the 11 Design Review Board meetings in 2022. To avoid being removed by the chairman, you can officially resign from the Board by emailing your request to do so to me, or you can state your intent to improve attendance in 2023. City Council will then reappoint your position on the Board.

Let me know if you decide to officially resign, or if you have any questions.

Thank you,

**Alane Zlotnicki, AICP**  
**SENIOR PLANNER - PLANNING, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT**  
City of Florence. 324 W. Evans St. Florence, SC 29501  
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# City of Florence Boards and Commissions Application

Form Status

Notes:

**Board or Commission for which you are applying:**

City of Florence Design Review Board

**Council District County**

District 3

Florence

**Your Name**

Lowe, David Allen

**Email Address**

Landanddevelopmentservices@gmail.com

**Residential Address**

912 Charlestowne Blvd, Florence, South Carolina  
29505

**Mailing Address**

912 Charlestowne Blvd, Florence, South Carolina  
29505

**Your Occupation - Title**

Self employed

**Business Phone**

**Residence Phone**

(843) 229-1451

**Employer Name**

Land and Development  
Services

**Employer Address**

511 W. Cheves St

**City**

Florence

**State**

South Carolina

## General Qualifications

**Are you a resident of the City?**

Yes

**If so, how Long?**

39

**Why would you like to serve?**

I feel a strong connection to the growth and development of our beautiful city and I would like to do my part to ensure it remains a great place to live for future generations.

**Do you presently serve on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:**

No

**Have you formerly served on any Commissions/ Boards of the City/ County/ State? If so, please list:**

No

**Are you currently in a position of responsibility with an organization or board that has received or is seeking funding from the City of Florence? Yes/No**

No

**If so, list the position and date:**

**Are you involved in any Community Activities?**

Yes

**If so, please list:**

I am a chairman of the local Ducks Unlimited chapter.

**What are your goals and objectives if appointed to the Commission/Board?**

My main goal is to use my expertise and knowledge to give constructive feedback to businesses and individuals looking to build in our city while ensuring an appropriate aesthetic to all new construction and renovation.

VIII. b.  
Reports to Council  
Comp. Financial Report

FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** February 13, 2023  
**AGENDA ITEM:** Presentation of Audited Financial Statements  
**DEPARTMENT/DIVISION:** Finance

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**I. ISSUE UNDER CONSIDERATION**

The City of Florence, SC Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and audited financial statements will be presented to City Council by the independent certified public accounting firm of Burch, Oxner, Seale Company, CPA's PA.

**II. CURRENT STATUS/PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN**

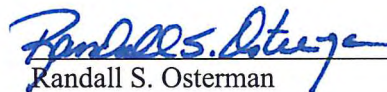
Pursuant to state law the City of Florence contracts with an independent firm of certified public accountants to annually audit and certify the financial records and transactions of the City using generally accepted accounting principles.

**III. POINTS TO CONSIDER**

1. The accounting firm Burch, Oxner, Seale Company, Co., CPA's, PA has completed its audit of the City's financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2022. Mr. Tracy Huggins of the firm will present the report and distribute bound copies of the completed audit report to members of Council at the meeting. Mr. Huggins also presented the report to the Finance, Audit, and Budget Committee at its December meeting.
2. The audited financial statements continue to reflect a sound financial position by the City. As a result of prudent financial planning, the City continues to experience financial stability while at the same time facing occasional economic challenges.



Kevin V. Yokim  
Assistant City Manager



Randall S. Osterman  
City Manager