

Minutes
Sumter County Council
Regular Meeting
February 13, 2007 - Held at 6:00 p.m.
County Administration Building County Council Chambers
13 E. Canal Street, Sumter, SC

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vivian Fleming-McGhaney, Chairwoman; Eugene Baten, Vice Chairman; Artie Baker, Larry Blanding, Jimmy Byrd, Charles T. Edens, and Roland Robinson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. William T. Noonan, County Administrator; Mr. Johnathan Bryan, County Attorney; Mrs. Mary W. Blanding, Clerk To County Council; The Honorable Carolina B. Richardson, County Treasurer; Mrs. Donna McCullum, Zoning Administrator and Interim Planning Director; Mrs. Angie Graham, Budget Analyst; Mrs. Pamela Craven, Finance Director, Mrs. Lorraine Dennis, Human Resources Director; Mr. Latham Harris, County Assessor; Mrs. Patricia Jefferson, Voter Registration, Election Commission Director; Ms. Gwendolyn Dupree, Voter Registration/Election Commission Staff Deputy Director; Mrs. Bernice Rembert; Voter Registration/Election Commission Clerk; and The Honorable Lauretha McCants, County Auditor.

MEDIA PRESENT: The Item

PUBLIC PRESENT: Approximately 17 members of the public were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Vivian Fleming-McGhaney called Sumter County Council's meeting of February 13, 2007, to order.

INVOCATION: Dr. Thomasina Portis gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance repeated the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilwoman McGhaney stated that she would entertain a motion to approve the February 13, 2007, agenda with any additions or deletions. The Chairwoman asked that Item #4 Under New Business be removed from this agenda and placed on a Committee Agenda for February 13, 2007. The Clerk to Council asked Council to consider adding one item under New Business and three items under Executive Session as listed below:

- **New Business:** Delete Item #1 until a later date; change item #4 to read Audit Report For Sumter County 2005-2006.
- **Grant Award:** Add LEMGP Grant Award as Item #2 and Law Enforcement Grant as Item #3 under Grant Awards.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Robinson, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the agenda as amended.

ACTION ON MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2007: Chairwoman McGhaney stated that she would entertain a motion to approve the minutes of County Council's meeting of January 23, 2007, as presented.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to grant approval of the minutes of January 23, 2007, as presented by the Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS:

- (2) Recognition Of Sumter County Voter Registration And Election Office (Note - This office will be recognized right after the action on the Minutes of January 23, 2007.)

The Clerk to Council published the recognition as listed below. Each Voter Registration and Election Commission staff member received a copy of the recognition and a gift from Council.

Whereas, Sumter County Government has a department within its caucuses which is known as the Sumter County Voter Registration and Elections Office; and

Whereas, This Office has seven Commission members, one Director, and three other staff members, who are committed to providing excellent service to candidates, poll workers, voters, and all citizens to accomplish the election process; and

Whereas, Sumter County's Director, Mrs. Patricia Jefferson, and her staff have provided a smooth transition from a punch card voting system to electronic touch screen voting machines; and

Whereas, to achieve the transition, Mrs. Jefferson and staff received training and then they conducted detailed poll workers training classes while displaying a high level of professionalism; and

Whereas, everyone in the office works cohesively in order to conduct quality elections which builds confidence in the election process not only in Sumter County, but throughout South Carolina.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that I, Vivian Fleming-McGhaney, Chairwoman of Sumter County Council, do hereby recognize the Sumter County Voter Registration And Elections Office for being chosen as the 2006 Outstanding Registration and Election Office in the State of South Carolina by the State Election Commission.

Be It Further Resolved, that I, along with Sumter County Council members and other departments within this governing body, salute all Voter Registration and Elections Office staff members for being good stewards in their role as staff members of this office and applaud the Election Commission Members for providing the opportunity for the staff members to acquire the needed training to supply the desirable services to Sumter's citizens; thereby, making Sumter County Voter Registration And Election Office the best of the best.

ACTION: Received as information.

- (3) Recognition of Public Safety Officials: (Note - These officials will be recognized right after the action on the Minutes of January 23, 2007.)

The Clerk to Council read the commendations for each of the Officers which were selected by the American Legion as being Outstanding Safety Officers of the Year for Year 2006. The Officers received a commendation and a gift from Council.

- Ø Outstanding Police Officer -- Dagoberto Quiroz
- Ø Outstanding Firefighter -- Lieutenant Mike Ward
- Ø Outstanding Emergency Medical Officer -- Lieutenant Bobby Hingst
- Ø Outstanding Detention Center Officer -- Lieutenant Ronald Gailliard

ACTION: Received as information.

LAND USE MATTERS AND REZONING REQUESTS

Planned Development/Rezoning Request -

- (1) OA-07-01 - Planning Staff - First Reading - (07-633) - A Request To Amend Article 3, Section U Of The Sumter County Zoning And Development Standards Ordinance To Add Additional Roads To The Highway Corridor Protection District And Add Additional Review Requirements For Structure, Signage, And Landscaping.

Mrs. Donna McCullum presented the proposed ordinance change to Council for review. She briefed Council on the current ordinance and then she gave Council an overview of the changes as listed below. After review of the ordinance Council took action on first reading. She stated that the City has approved the changes; therefore, the Planning Commission's staff is bringing this request before Council for approval to allow the City and the County's ordinances to mirror one another.

Amended Ordinance to Read:

3.u.1. Purpose: The purpose of the Highway Corridor Protection District is to promote development that is compatible with the function, capacity, and design of major arterial roadways, while remaining sensitive to the relationship of the roads to abutting residential, commercial, and industrial development. Existing residential uses within the District will remain unaffected. The implementation of the Highway Corridor Protection District shall be fulfilled in the manner of an overlay zone.

The Highway Corridor Protection District encompasses the lands within three hundred feet (300 ft.) measure from the centerline (or the depth of the lot to be developed, whichever is greater) on both sides along specific sections of the following streets, roads, or highways within the City and County of Sumter, South Carolina.

- a. **Shaw Parkway and Loring Mill Roads;**
- b. **North Wise (378 to Airport);**
- c. **Thomas Sumter Highway at Broad Street;**
- d. **U.S. Highway 378 and the by-pass;**

- e. ***U.S. Highway 15 (Pocalla Road) and North Main Street;***
- f. ***U.S. Highway 521 (Manning Avenue);***
- g. ***U.S. Highway 76 (Florence Highway);***
- h. ***U.S. Highway 401 (Oswego Road);***
- i. ***Wesmark Boulevard (S. Pike West to Wilson Hall Rd.);***
- j. ***East and West Liberty St. (N. Pike East to Pinewood Rd.);***
- k. ***Carter Rd. (Wilson Hall Rd. to Broad St.);***
- l. ***McCrays Mill Rd. (N. St. Paul Church Rd. to Guignard Dr.);***
- m. ***Main St. (Oakland Ave. to Pike – All of North and South Main St.);***
- n. ***Guignard Dr. and Guignard Parkway (Wesmark Blvd. to Pocalla Rd.);***
- o. ***Bultman Dr. (Guignard Dr. to N. Pike West);***
- p. ***Alice Dr. (Thomas Sumter Hwy. to W. Liberty St.);***
- q. ***Peach Orchard Rd. (Broad St. to Thomas Sumter Hwy);***
- r. ***Wise Dr. (Loring Mill Rd. to N. Pike West);***
- s. ***Bypass and Frontage Roads;***
- t. ***Wedgefield Rd. (Liberty to Keels Rd.);***
- u. ***Boulevard Rd. (E. Liberty to Craig Rd.)***

3.u.2. Highway Corridor Protection District Map: An overlay map of the Highway Corridor Protection District boundaries shall be included as part of this Article.

3.u.3. General Standards: Persons wishing to develop residential subdivisions, commercial, industrial, or billboard projects with the Highway Corridor Protection District shall comply with the standards as follows:

- a. ***Development and dimensional standards of the primary zoning district shall be applicable;***
- b. ***The siting and orientation of commercial and industrial buildings and structures such as billboards, on a lot should front and be parallel to the street or highway providing primary accesses thereto, existing lot configuration notwithstanding;***

- c. *Where feasible, off-street parking should be located in the rear yard area of commercial or industrial projects, or screened by vegetation or berms, if located in the front or side yard area in addition to any other requirements in 8.j.3.k;*
- d. *Outdoor sales lots and open storage areas of commercial or industrial projects shall not be permitted, unless adequately screened or removed from public view; car dealerships and mobile home sales lots are expressly excluded from this provision, but nevertheless shall meet all requirements for landscaping and buffering as set-forth in Article 8, Section D.*
- e. *Curb cuts should be not less than 1,000 foot intervals, where feasible;*

3.u.4. Architectural Standards: *All commercial projects in the Highway Corridor Protection District shall submit architectural plans to the Sumter City-County Planning Commission which shows elevations of all portions of buildings with important relationships to public views and vistas, indications as the construction materials, photographs or perspective drawings indicating visual relationships to adjoining properties and spaces, paint and color schemes, and other exhibits and reports the Sumter City-County Planning Commission may require. Applicant shall also submit a landscaping plan and signage plan for the project site. In addition, all commercial projects shall meet the following standards:*

- a. *If a new commercial building is proposed, not more than sixty percent (60%) of the facade facing a street may be glass or reflective materials;*
- b. *Significant exterior renovations to a building, such as a change of material types, structural design, or additions require review;*
- c. *A minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the surface materials, excluding doors and windows, shall be brick, stucco, or stone masonry or materials approved by the Sumter City-County Planning Commission. Building sides clearly visible from street or public view, shall be constructed of above mentioned materials or heavily mitigated with landscaping and shown on the required landscaping plan as part of their application. Roof pitch should be compatible with the building structures in the surrounding neighborhood;*
- d. *Signs including billboards shall be fully illustrated through photographs or graphic designs showing the relationship of off-premise and on-premise signs to the specific site and the surrounding locations within 1,000 feet. The signage plan shall consist of all freestanding and building signage. (Shall meet development standards for the underlying zoning district.);*
- e. *The landscaping plan shall include parking lot, building perimeters, detention ponds, and buffer-yards where required.*
- f. *All proposed fences and/or walls proposed for the front and/or side yards shall be reviewed as part of the Highway Corridor Design Approval Request.*

3.u.5. Approval Authority: *When applying for an occupancy permit or building permit in the Highway Corridor Protection District, applicants shall have a site plan or subdivision plan*

approved by the Sumter City-County Planning Commission if either Major Site Plan or Major Subdivision Plan criteria is met as outlined in Article Seven, Section D. For all requests that fall in the Minor Site Plan or Minor Subdivision criteria, the Planning Staff will be the approval authority for the Highway Corridor Protection district requests. Appeals of Planning Staff decision shall follow the normal procedures and go to the Board of Appeals.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Edens, seconded by Councilman Robinson, and carried by Council to defer action on first reading until after such time that an Ad Hoc committee can be formed, review the issues, and bring a report back to Council for action. (NOTE: The Chairwoman asked the Administrator to form the Committee.)

- (2) MA-06-06 – Thomasina Portis – Third Reading- (06-632) – A Request To Change Comprehensive Plan Map Designation From Agricultural Conservation (AC) To Residential Conservation (RC) For Property Located In The Vicinity Of North Kings Highway And West McLester Road. (Tax Map #077-00-01-020).

Mrs. McCullum stated that this request has not changed since first and second reading. Then Council took action on third reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Robinson; seconded by Councilman Byrd, and carried by Council to grant third reading approval and adoption of this Map Amendment. Councilman Edens voted in opposition.

Street Name Change – None

Grant Awards –

- (1) Request For Letter Of Support From Sumter County Council For The Woods Bay State Natural Area Grant Submission.

Mr. Pete Harrison, Park Manager of Woods Bay State Natural Area, is applying for a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant for \$250,000 to construct the initial phase of an extended boardwalk trail into the bay. The addition of this boardwalk trail would provide unparalleled public access into a mysterious geological formation known as a Carolina Bay. Carolina Bays are shallow depressions found on the Atlantic Coastal Plain where it is estimated that approximately 80% are located between North and South Carolina. Unfortunately, a South Carolina Department of Natural Resources Heritage Trust Program study estimated that only about 3% of all of the larger sized Carolina Bays in South Carolina remain unaltered by humans. Most bays have been drained and planted with agricultural crops, or have been affected by the construction of roads, power lines and commercial development.

Mr. Harrison further stated that, through an extensive public effort, Woods Bay State Natural Area was saved from commercial activities and has been preserved for the enjoyment and educational possibilities that it can provide for all of the citizens of South Carolina. A boardwalk trail into the bay would benefit the visitors of Woods Bay State Natural Area by:

- Providing extended access into the largely inaccessible areas of a Carolina Bay;
- Adding to the total number of public use trails found at the park;
- Creating an additional forum for educational programming, and;

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- Providing for additional wildlife viewing areas year-round.

He asked Council to write a letter of support for the project. After discussions and review of this request, Council took action on the request.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Baten, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the request and ask the Chairwoman to write a letter of support on behalf of the County for this request.

2. Grant Award From The Department Of Public Safety: The County received a \$52,572.00 grant from the Department of Public Safety to be used for conversion of the old Genesis Building to a Chemistry and Law Enforcement Center at the Correctional Center site.

ACTION: Received as information.

3. LEMPG Grant The County has been awarded a \$20,893 grant from the State Of South Carolina Military Department to be used for hazard assessment.

ACTION: Received as information.

OTHER PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

NEW BUSINESS:

- (1) Recognition of Sumter County By The S. C. Kidney Foundation. (Note – This item will be heard right after the action on the Minutes of January 23, 2007.)

ACTION: This matter was removed from the agenda.

- (2) Recognition Of Sumter County Voter Registration And Election Office (Note – This office will be recognized right after the action on the Minutes of January 23, 2007.)

This item is listed above right after action on Minutes of January 23, 2007.

- (3) Recognition of Public Safety Officials: (Note – These officials will be recognized right after the action on the Minutes of January 23, 2007.)

- Ø Outstanding Police Officer
- Ø Outstanding Firefighter
- Ø Outstanding Emergency Medical Officer
- Ø Outstanding Detention Center Officer

This item is listed above right after action on Minutes of January 23, 2007.

- (4) Audit Report For Sumter County 2006-2007.

Mr. Roger Long, the County External Auditor, presented the 2005-2006 fiscal year end budget. Mr. Long stated that he is providing Council with a brief synopsis of the general fund; the full report is being compiled and will be provided to Council members at the next meeting. However, should Council members have questions; they can contact Pam, Angie, or Roger. (See attached report.)

ACTION: Received as information.

(5) 07-634 – First Reading -- An Ordinance Authorizing The Lease Of 0.2295 Acre Of Property Located On North Main Street, Sumter, SC.

The County Attorney presented the proposed ordinance to Council for first reading consideration. After review of the ordinance, council took action on first reading. Public hearing will be held at Council's meeting on February 27, 2007.

WHEREAS, Sumter County currently owns 190 acres of land located on North Main Street, identified as TMS numbers 247-00-01-002 and 247-08-04-006; and known generally as the Public Works Facility;

WHEREAS, Sumter County does not use nor does it need all of that property for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's interest to use the property to its fullest advantage; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's interest for Sumter County Council to lease excess property upon the terms most favorable to Sumter County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AT ITS REGULAR MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED AND BY THE AUTHORITY THEREOF:

That the Sumter County lease 0.2295 of an acre of land located on North Main Street, behind the Public Works Facility, identified on the Sumter County Auditor's tax maps as part of TMS number 247-00-01-002, and allow an easement from N. Main Street to the site in accordance with the terms of the attached Site Agreement, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference; and

The County Administrator is authorized to sign the Site Agreement on behalf of the County of Sumter.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Edens, seconded by Councilman Baker, and unanimous carried by Council to grant first reading approval.

(6) Budget Schedule For 2007-2008 County Budget.

The Clerk presented a proposed budget schedule which was prepared by the financial staff. She asked Council members to consider, per the Administrator and the financial staff, to allow for additional discussions on the budget during Fiscal, Tax, and Property Committee meeting, beginning February 27, 2007. The Fiscal, Tax, and Property Committee meeting will be scheduled at 4:30 with new items from 4:30-5:00 p.m. and budgetary items beginning at 5:00-6:00 p.m. Council members agreed to the concept and agreed to the budget schedule.

ACTION: Received as information.

- (7) It May Be Suggested To Hold Executive Session To Receive A Legal Briefing From The County Attorney Or Discuss Contractual Or Personnel Matters.

No executive session was held.

OLD BUSINESS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- (1) City-County Liaison Committee Meeting Held On Monday, February 12, 2007, At 8:30 A.M. In County Council's Conference Room At The County Administration Building (Edens, Byrd, and McGhaney.)

The Chairman of the Committee, Councilman Edens, stated that no action was taken during the Committee meeting; however, the City will provide Council with information concerning the Youth Park – William T. Noonan and Gary Mixon will attend City Council's meeting on February 20, 2007, to discuss this issue with the City.

The Committee also discussed some concerns from the local Soil and Water Conservation District. The local District is performing Stormwater Utilities needs for the City and the County. This item will be placed back on the Liaison Committee Agenda for March 5, 2007, to discuss this item further. Mr. Louis Jackson will be asked to attend that meeting.

ACTION: Received as information.

- (2) Personnel/Technology Committee Meeting Held On Tuesday, February 13, 2007, At 3:30 P.M. In County Council's Conference Room At The County Administration Building (Baten, Byrd, and McGhaney -- All Council Members Are Asked To Attend This Meeting.)

The Committee Chairman, Vice Chairman Baten, gave the following report and recommendation from the Committee meeting.

- **New Position:** The Committee received a request from the County Administrator for the position of Assistant County Administrator to be added to the approved job title list for the County. The Committee recommended approval of the request.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously approved by Council to approve the position of Assistant County Administrator for Sumter County.

- **EMS Services:** The Committee discussed this matter; no action taken.
- **Detention Center:** The Committee discussed this matter; no action taken.

(3) Fiscal, Tax, and Property Committee Meeting Held On Tuesday, February 13, 2007, At 4:30 P.M. In County Council's Conference Room At The County Administration Building (McGhaney, Blanding, and Edens -- All Council Members Are Asked To Attend This Meeting.)

- **Request From The Chamber Concerning The Sumter County Legislative Day:** Nicole Norris and Greir Blackwelder presented this request before Council. After review to the information; the Committee voted and recommended to provide up to \$9,000 for this project. The funds will be secured from Council's Contingency Fund. The Legislative Day is scheduled for April 11, 2007; expenses will include mailings, gifts for the General Assembly, lunch, rental of building, reception expenses, possible transportation needs, etc.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and carried by Council to approve the request of up to \$9,000 for Sumter County's portion of the funding for the Sumter County Legislative Day scheduled for April 11, 2007, in Columbia, SC. Councilman Byrd voted in opposition.

- **Request From Wateree Community Actions May Fair Celebration (Exhibition Center); Christian Golfers Association (Patriot Hall Auditorium), and AME Northeast Annual Conference and Youth Summit (Patriot Hall Auditorium – Two Days):** These items were forwarded to the County Administrator to handle according to existing County policies.
- **Live Oak Industrial Park Signage:** The Committee received an update on the request for the Industrial Park Signage. It was recommended that the County complete two signs and fund the expense for the signs, up to \$15,000 each, from the Infrastructure Fund; the signs will be located at the Highway 15 Industrial Park main entranceways. The County Administrator was directed to clarify the need for the third sign.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the request of up to \$15,000 each for the construction of the two industrial park signs from the County's Infrastructure fund;

- **School District #2 Funding Issues:** No action taken; this will be discussed during the budget cycle.
- **Request From Sumter County's Treasurer Concerning the Forfeited Land Commission:** The Committee received a request from the Sumter County Treasurer to add three names to the existing name as authorized signatures for matters pertaining to the Forfeited Land Commission sale of property. The new names would be the County Treasurer, The County Administrator, and The County Tax Collector. The existing name is the Clerk To Council.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the inclusion of the said names as listed in the request and the report.

- **Lake Marion Regional Water Authority:** The Committee discussed issues relating to Lake Marion Regional Water Authority and the County's commitment to the need for water from the Authority. The Committee voted to request 250,000 gallons of capacity in the Lake Marion Regional Water Agency Water System. The commitment is contingent upon

satisfactory resolution of the seven criteria in the Clarendon County Administrator's January 15, 2007, letter to Lake Marion Regional Water Authority. The seven items are as follows:

1. Water is available by January 1, 2012 (5 years)
2. Maximum variable cost of \$0.50/1,000 gallons of water.
3. Major trunk line to extend to Rambay area of Clarendon County as originally designed.
4. Meter and tapping availability is available starting at the 102-mile marker of I-95 and placed every one (1) mile until the end of the trunk line at Rambay area.
5. Maximum fixed cost of \$250,000 over the five-year period (average of \$50,000 year).
6. Major consideration is given to have trunk line attached to I-95 Bridge instead of under Lake Marion for repair reasons.
7. If Lake Marion Regional Water Agency does not meet the date and variable cost as stated in items #1 and #2 above, then Clarendon County would be reimbursed for all prior fixed costs paid over the last five years.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the recommendation as presented.

- **Executive Session: Black River Industrial Park:** The Committee recommended that the County Attorney be directed to prepare an ordinance to authorize the transfer of 2.96 acres of land to Black River Economic Development Corporation.

ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the recommendation as presented.

- **Executive Session: School District #17:** No action taken; the Administrator will continue discussions on this matter.

(4) Report From Council Members On Other Meetings, Trainings, and/or Conferences.

No report was given.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

- South Sumter Resource Center Sponsoring – She's Gone by Dr. Kwame Dawes
- U. S. 15 Corridor Study – Public Design Charrette
- USFA Releases Fire Service Needs Assessment Findings
- Letter To Dr. William T. Painter
- S. C. Department of Corrections
- Letter to James J. Feda
- Lake Marion Regional Water Authority Monthly Minutes
- Pinewood Meeting Report
- Shiloh Water System – Letter From Burton Hatfield, Jr.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- **South Carolina Association Of County's (SCAC) Scholarship Program:** SCAC awards a \$2,000 scholarship each year to a graduating senior who will attend collect. This scholarship is intended for public school students. Public schools in this area have been notified by SCAC.
- **Detention Center Quota Systems:** There is debate going on in Columbia regarding this matter; it will also be a part of the Mid-Year Conference agenda discussion. The Administrator will be a part of the panel to discuss this matter. The Conference is scheduled for February 21, 2007.
- **Sumter Airport - Capital Improvements Projects:** This report covers the period of 1990 to 2007. Most of the capital improvement projects have been completed through grants.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Chairwoman asked if anyone from the public would like to speak during public comments; the following person spoke.

- Mr. Ralph W. Robateau stated that he is a new resident in this community; however, he has visited the community several times during his tenure in the military. He stated that he lives in Emerald Lakes Subdivision. He talked about his concerns: a lack of resurfacing of the subdivision's streets, the lack of sufficient lights in the subdivision, and the lack of a turning lane in the subdivision. He asked Council to help the community in whatever way that they can. These needs are based on safety needs and possible danger for the citizens.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business and no additional comments from the public, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivian Fleming-McGhaney

Chairman or Vice Chairman
Sumter County Council

Mary W. Blanding

Clerk to County Council

Approved: February 27, 2007

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I certify that public and media notification of the above-mentioned meeting was given prior thereto as follows:

Public Notified: Yes

Manner Notified: Agendas posted on bulletin board on third floor of the Administration Building.

Date Posted: February 8, 2007

Media Notified: Yes

Manner Notified: Agendas were sent to most radio stations, television stations, and newspapers in the Sumter, Columbia, Manning, and Florence communities. Also, E-Mail notification was sent to Sumter County's Home Page, WIBZ, The Item, The Chamber, Time Warner Cable.

Date Notified: February 8, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

Mary W. Blanding
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