

**Minutes
Sumter County Council
Regular Meeting
April 24, 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; Larry Blanding, Jimmy Byrd, Charles T. Edens, and Roland Robinson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Artie Baker

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. William T. Noonan, County Administrator; Mrs. Mary W. Blanding, Clerk To County Council; Mrs. Lorraine W. Dennis; Deputy Administrator; Mr. Gary Mixon, Deputy Administrator; Mr. George McGregor, Planning Director; Mrs. Pamela Craven; Finance Director; and Mrs. Angie Graham, Budget Analyst .

MEDIA PRESENT: The Item

PUBLIC PRESENT: Approximately 28 members of the public were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Vivian Fleming-McGhaney called Sumter County Council's meeting of April 24, 2007, to order.

INVOCATION: Rev. Cooper, Pastor of High Hill AME Church, 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 April 24, 2007, agenda with any additions or deletions.

Prior to action on the Agenda, the Clerk to Council asked Council members to consider adding one item to the agenda right after action on Minutes of April 10, 2007, and April 17, 2007. The new item would be introduction of two Sheriff's Deputies which will be leaving to go to Iraq for 18 months. Corpl, Fostervold and Corpl. Thilgman.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Baten, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the April 24, 2007, agenda by adding the requested item to the agenda.

ACTION ON MINUTES OF APRIL 10 AND APRIL 17, 2007: Chairwoman McGhaney stated that she would entertain a motion to approve the minutes of County Council's meetings of April 10, 2007, and April 17, 2007, as presented.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Baten, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to grant approval of the minutes of April 10, and April 17, 2007, as presented by the Clerk.

INTRODUCTION OF OFFICERS. Captain Hobbs gave a brief history of the work experience of both of the Corporals; then he introduced Corporal Thilgman who, along with Corporal Fostervold,

will be leaving the Sheriff's Department and go to Iraq for 18 months. Corporal Fostervold was not present at the meeting due to an automobile accident he was involved in prior to coming to the meeting. Council members thanked him for his work to the County and to this Country. Chairwoman McGhaney stated that the County will be praying for them to be safe and return to their families and to Sumter County to continue the work of providing safety for Sumter's citizens.

LAND USE MATTERS AND REZONING REQUESTS

Planned Development/Rezoning Request -

- (1) RZ-06-14 - Elaine Fuller - Second Reading and Public Hearing - A Request To Rezone +/- 29.94 Acres From Agricultural Conservation To Residential-15 (R-15) Located At N. Kings Highway And Meeting House Road. Tax Map # 093-00-01-024; 093-00-01-025; 093-00-01-027; 093-00-01-028; 093-00-01-030; 093-00-01-031; and 093-03-00-01-032. (Prior to action on Second Reading, Council will hold a public hearing on this rezoning request.)

Mr. George McGregor, Planning Director, presented this proposed rezoning request to Council for second reading and public hearing. He stated that Elaine Fuller, the applicant, is seeking to rezone this property from Agricultural Conservation to Residential-15 to develop a housing subdivision which will be located at N. Kings Highway and Meeting House Road. Mr. McGregor also stated that this request complies with the Sumter County Comprehensive Plan which has this area designated as Residential Conservation. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the request.

The Chairwoman asked if any Council members had questions, there were not questions from Council members. Then she convened a public hearing; Chairwoman McGhaney asked if anyone wished to speak in support of or opposition to the proposed rezoning request. The following persons spoke.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Ø Ms. Elaine Fuller spoke in support of the request. She stated that it is her intent to provide affordable housing for the military as the Third Army moves to Sumter County. She asked Council to support the rezoning request.
- Ø Mrs. Angie Gathers stated that she lives on Meeting House Road. She stated that she and her family members were interested in what affect this subdivision would have on their property. After talking with Ms. Fuller, Mrs. Gathers understands that it would not have an adverse affect on her property; therefore, she is in support of the rezoning.

There were no more comments made; therefore, the Chairwoman closed the public hearing and Council took action on second reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Baten, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to grant second reading approval to this rezoning request.

- (2) RZ-07-02 – H. C. Edens, Jr. – Second Reading and Public Hearing – A Request To Rezone +/- 135 Acres From Agricultural Conservation (AC) To Residential-15 (R-15) Located On The West Side Of Black River Road, North Of The Intersection Of Black River Road And Edens Road. Tax Map # 191-00-01-002; 191-00-01-021; 191-00-02-010 (Part). (Prior to action on Second Reading, Council will hold a public hearing on this rezoning request.)

Prior to action on this item, Councilman Charles T. Edens dismissed himself from the room and did not participate in any discussion or action on this item.

Mr. McGregor stated that this request is from Mr. H. C. Edens, Jr. who is requesting to rezone approximately 135 acres from Agricultural Conservation to Residential-15. The property is currently vacant and was used as farmland. This request conforms to the general Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission recommends approval of this request.

Chairwoman McGhaney asked if any Council member had questions; there were no questions from Council. Then Chairwoman McGhaney convened a public hearing. She asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or opposition to this proposed rezoning request. The following person spoke.

- Ø Mr. Louis Tisdale stated that he was present on behalf of the request. He stated that he would answer any questions that the public or Council might have.

There were no comments from the public; therefore, the Chairwoman closed the public hearing and Council took action on second reading.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Robinson, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to grant second reading to this rezoning request.

NOTE: Councilman Baker was absent from the meeting and Councilman Edens was not in Council Chambers during the presentation or voting on this item. Therefore, Council members that were present voted for this item unanimously.

Street Name Change – None

Grant Awards – None

OTHER PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

- (1) A Resolution Commissioning Certain Staff Member(s) Of The Sumter City-County Planning Commission and The Sumter City-County Business License Department As County Constables For The County Of Sumter, South Carolina.

The Clerk to Council presented this proposed resolution to Council. She stated that each time a new person is hired in the Business License Department and or the Planning Department and is given the responsibility of inspector; Council is asked to commission the person as a County

Constable. Therefore, the Clerk asked Council to consider approving the resolution which will Commission Sharon Felder as a County Constable.

Be it resolved that the County Council for Sumter County, South Carolina, being the governing body of said County, in Council duly assembled, does, pursuant to authority granted in Section 4-9-145 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina (1976, as amended) and in accordance with the provisions of Sumter County Ordinance No. 91-215 hereby appoints the following persons as County constables:

<u>NAME OF APPOINTEE</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT/SECTION</u>
Sharon Felder	Inspector	City-County Business License Department

After all comments, Council took action on the adoption of the resolution.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Councilman Edens, seconded by Vice Chairman Baten, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the resolution as presented and directed the Chairwoman and the Clerk to execute and deliver the resolution on behalf of the County.

(2) Update On Recent Tornado In Sumter County, South Carolina – Mr. Robbie Baker.

Mr. Robbie Baker, the Public Safety Director, gave the following report concerning the recent Tornado.

- Ø One fatality
- Ø Two seriously injured (one has been released from the hospital).
- Ø One minor injury
- Ø Approximate dollar value equals \$500,000 worth of damage to mobile homes, stick built homes, and brick homes. This figure does not include vehicles, power lines, trees, etc. The Red Cross, local Assessor's Office, the state Assessor's Office are working together to determine the true cost. Additional work is being done in this area.
- Ø Three mobile homes were completely destroyed
- Ø Forty-eight mobile homes were damaged with minor to major damage.
- Ø One stick built structure was completely destroyed.
- Ø Three businesses suffered damage.
- Ø Thirteen brick structures were damaged with minor to major damage.
- Ø There is a total of 19 residences that have suffered the 40% or more damage which is the criteria that the state imposes.
- Ø 68 residents suffered from minor to major damage.

Mr. Baker further stated that he thanks all the public safety agencies for their assistance (Salvation Army, Red Cross, Southern Baptist Relief, Sheriff Department, Fire Department, City Police, EMS, power companies, and the local neighbors).

Mr. Baker said there were three lessons learned; first, each individual agency had plans in place and those plans worked. Secondly, this event increases people's awareness of the upcoming hurricane season. Thirdly, Mr. Baker said that he sees the need for at least one additional staff

member. If this tornado caused damage that had “long-term” effects, then his office would need additional help.

ACTION: Received as information.

(3) Presentation To Sumter County Council and Sumter County Clerk Of Court.

The Clerk to Council stated that the Sumter Volunteers recently held a picnic to honor volunteers in Sumter. Then the Director of Sumter Volunteers, Mrs. Joanne Morris, presented the Clerk to Council with a plaque honoring the Courthouse on becoming 100 years old.

Then the Administrator read the plaque and presented it to The Honorable Jamie Campbell, the Clerk of Court.

The Clerk to Council and the Clerk of Court will work together to formalize a celebration for the 100 year celebration of the Courthouse.

ACTION: : Received as information.

(3) A Proclamation Proclaiming April 22-27, 2007, As National County Government Week In Sumter County, South Carolina.

The Clerk to Council presented this proclamation to Council for approval.

WHEREAS, Sumter County Council desires that its citizens be offered the opportunity to attain a decent and sanitary living environment; and,

WHEREAS, Sumter County Council recognizes that 2007 marks the 39th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, the federal law that prohibits discrimination in housing; and in 1989, South Carolina passed a Fair Housing Law that provides rights and remedies substantially equivalent to those found in the Federal Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, Sumter County Council rejects discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, ancestral status, and disability; and,

WHEREAS, Sumter County desires that every citizen be offered the opportunity to live in the home of his or her choice; hence, Sumter County Government does not discriminate in its housing practices;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we the members of Sumter County Council do hereby designate April as Fair Housing Month in the County of Sumter, South Carolina and recognize the importance of Fair Housing benefits for its citizenry; Council will continue to promote and advocate fair housing for all of its citizens.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Baten, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and unanimously carried by Council to adopt the proclamation as presented and directed the Chairwoman and the Clerk to execute and deliver the resolution on behalf of the County.

- (5) 07-640 -- First Reading -- An Ordinance To Provide For A Levy Of Taxes For County Purposes Of Sumter County, S. C., (Known As The Budget Ordinance) For The Fiscal Year Of Said County Beginning July 1, 2007, To Direct The Expenditures Of Said Taxes And Other Funds Of Said County, And To Provide For Other Matters Related Thereto.

The County Administrator presented the draft ordinance to Council for first reading consideration. It was suggested that second reading to this ordinance be held on June 12, 2007, with third reading scheduled for June 26, 2007. The Administrator read the caption and gave the following figures for Council's first reading consideration.

- Ø Ad Velorum Taxes - \$24,513,367
- Ø Penalties, Fees In Lieu, and Merchant Inventory - \$1,723,843
- Ø State shared revenues - \$5,879,291
- Ø Fees and Licenses - \$10,085,949
- Ø Fines and Forfeitures - \$957,000
- Ø Transfers-In - \$290,000
- Ø Reserve Account - \$0
- Ø Other Fees - \$1,212,894
- Ø Total Operating Budget -- \$44,662,344
- Ø Approximately \$2,400,000 above the expected revenue in requested expenditures.

The figures will come more in balance as the Administrator, Financial staff, and department heads along with Council critique the budget more closely. Mr. Noonan asked Council to consider first reading to this proposed ordinance.

Then Council took action on first reading.

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

- (6) 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 on this matter.

OLD BUSINESS -

- (1) 07-636 -- Third Reading -- An Ordinance Authorizing Sumter County, South Carolina, To Enter Into An Intergovernmental Agreement With The Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority; To Enter Into A Loan Agreement With The Bank In The Amount Of \$1,800,000; Approving The Form And Terms Of The Intergovernmental Agreement And The Loan

Agreement, In Connection With The Construction Of An Intermodal Transportation Center In The County; And Other Matters Related Thereto.

Frannie Heizer, Attorney with McNair Law Firm, stated that Council has an ordinance for third reading which would authorize the execution of two documents. First, the County is going to borrow money in the form of a revenue bond and in turn, the County will take the proceeds of those funds and provide the funds to Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority (SWRTA) for purposes of assisting them in meeting the local match need for the Intermodal Transportation Center that is currently under construction. Secondly, there is an intergovernmental agreement between SWRTA and Sumter County where SWRTA promises to make quarterly payments to the County in amounts sufficient to pay the loan that the County is undertaking for SWRTA. BB&T Bank has provided a very favorable proposal transaction which can be repaid in five years or less; with an interest rate of 4.4%. SWRTA believes that the loan should be totally repaid in approximately 3½ years.

The revenue bond does not go against the County's bonding capacity. Ms. Heizer asked Council to consider third reading on this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUMTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Definitions. The terms defined in this Section for all purposes of this Ordinance shall have the respective meanings as set forth in this Section. The term:

"Authority" shall mean the Santee Wateree Regional Transportation Authority.

"Bank" means Branch Banking and Trust Company, Charlotte, North Carolina.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and applicable Treasury Regulations thereunder.

"County" means Sumter County, South Carolina.

"Council" means the County Council of the County.

"Intergovernmental Agreement" means the agreement dated as of its date of delivery, or such other date as may be determined by the County Administrator, with advice from the County Attorney, between the County and the Authority.

"Loan Agreement" means the Loan Agreement dated as of its delivery, or such other date as may be determined by the County Administrator, with advice from the County Attorney, between the Bank and the County.

"Project" means an intermodal transportation center to be constructed in the County by the Authority.

"SC Code" means the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976 as amended.

Section 2. Findings and Determinations. The Council hereby finds and determines:

A. Pursuant to Section 4-9-10 of the SC Code, and the results of a referendum held in accordance therewith, the Council-Administrator form of government was adopted and the County Council constitutes the governing body of the County.

B. The Authority has requested the County's assistance by providing funds to be used as a local match for a grant from the Federal Transportation Authority to the Authority for the purposes of the acquisition and construction of the Project.

C. The completion of the Project is essential to the continued availability of a viable public transportation system which is an essential service fostering and enhancing the economic growth and well being of the County and its residents.

D. The County and the Authority intend to enter into the Intergovernmental Agreement whereby the County will provide to the Authority approximately \$1,800,000 for use as the local match referred to above, and the Authority will agree to make payments to the County in amounts and at times sufficient to meet the County's obligations under the Loan Agreement.

E. The Council finds that the proceeds of the Loan Agreement authorized by this Ordinance will be used for public purposes and that entering into the Loan Agreement is necessary and in the best interest of the County.

F. It is now in the best interest of the County for the Council to approve the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreement with a loan amount not exceeding \$1,800,000. The proceeds of the Loan Agreement shall be used for the purposes of (a) providing the Authority with the local match needed for the Project; and (b) paying a portion of the costs associated with the Loan Agreement and the Intergovernmental Agreement.

G. It is now in the best interest of the County for the Council to approve the execution and delivery of the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Section 3. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement. The form, terms and provisions of the Intergovernmental Agreement, the form of which has been presented to Council at the meeting during which this Ordinance was enacted, and filed with the Clerk to County Council, be and are hereby approved. The Chairperson of County Council or County Administrator be and are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver, and the Clerk to County Council be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to attest, the Intergovernmental Agreement in the name and on behalf of the County, and thereupon to cause the Intergovernmental Agreement to be delivered to the Authority. The County Administrator, with advice from the County Attorney, be and is hereby delegated the authority to approve such changes in the form, terms and provisions of the Intergovernmental Agreement as may be appropriate for the financing plan contemplated thereby. The execution of the Intergovernmental Agreement shall constitute conclusive evidence of approval of any and all

changes or revisions therein from the form of the Intergovernmental Agreement before the meeting during which this Ordinance was enacted.

Section 4. Approval of Transaction; Acceptance of Bank Proposal. The County, for the purposes of the financing contemplated by the Loan Agreement, represents that as of the date of the Loan Agreement, the Project shall be constructed within the geographic boundaries of the County. The proposal of the Bank dated April 16, 2007, a copy of which is attached hereto, is hereby accepted.

Section 5. Pledge. As security for its obligation to make payments pursuant to the Loan Agreement, the County hereby pledges the revenues to be received pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement.

Section 6. Limited and Special Obligations of the County; Payment from Other Sources. The obligations of the County to make payments under the Loan Agreement shall be limited to amounts pledged therein and shall not constitute a pledge of the full faith, credit or taxing power of the County within the meaning of any State constitutional or statutory provision. Subject to the foregoing limitation, the County's obligation to make payments shall be absolute and unconditional, without defense or set-off by reason of any acts or circumstances that may constitute failure of consideration, destruction of or damage to the Project, commercial frustration of purpose or failure of the County to perform and observe any agreement, whether express or implied, or any duty, liability or obligation arising out of or connected with the Loan Agreement, it being the intention of the parties that the payments required by the Loan Agreement will be paid in full when due without any delay or diminution whatsoever. The County shall have the option of using other legally-available funds to make the payments under the Loan Agreement but will not be required to do so.

Section 7. Approval of Loan Agreement. The form, terms and provisions of the Loan Agreement, the form of which has been presented to Council at the meeting during which this Ordinance was enacted, and filed with the Clerk to County Council, be and are hereby approved. The Chairperson of County Council or County Administrator be and are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver, and the Clerk to County Council be and is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to attest, the Loan Agreement in the name and on behalf of the County, and thereupon to cause the Loan Agreement to be delivered to the Bank. The County Administrator, with advice from the County Attorney, be and is hereby delegated the authority to approve such changes in the form, terms and provisions of the Loan Agreement as may be appropriate for the financing plan contemplated thereby. The execution of the Loan Agreement shall constitute conclusive evidence of approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form of the Loan Agreement before the meeting during which this Ordinance was enacted.

Section 8. Authorization. The Chairperson of County Council, County Administrator, and the Clerk to County Council are fully empowered and authorized to take such further action and to execute and deliver such additional documents as may be reasonably requested by the Bank to effect the delivery of the Intergovernmental Agreement and the Loan Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions therein set forth, and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and the action of such officers in

executing and delivering any of such documents, in such form as the County Administrator shall approve, is hereby fully authorized. The authorization conferred herein shall extend to and include, but not be limited to, the documents and certificates reasonably expected to be necessary for the closing of the financing transaction.

Section 9. Federal Tax Covenants. The County agrees and covenants that it will comply with all applicable portions of the Code, as in effect or hereafter amended, including Sections 103 and 141 through 150 thereof, and the regulations of the Treasury Department thereunder, to maintain the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of the payments under the Loan Agreement, including without limitation the proper use and expenditure of proceeds thereof, the observation of the applicable investment limitations provided in the Code, the filing of information reports with the Internal Revenue Service and the rebate of certain arbitrage earnings on such proceeds to the United States Government.

Section 10. Severability. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 11. Conflicts with Preceding Ordinances. Should conflicts arise between this and any preceding ordinances, this Ordinance shall prevail with respect to the conflicting sections.

Enacted this 24th day of April, 2007.

ACTION: MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Baten, seconded by Councilman Edens, and unanimously carried by Council to grant third reading approval and directed the appropriate Council members and staff to execute and deliver all documents on behalf of the County.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- (1) Tentative -- City-County Liaison Committee Meeting Held On Monday, April 23, 2007, At 8:30 A.M. In County Council's Conference Room At The County Administration Building (Edens, Byrd, and McGhaney.)

This meeting was not held.

- (2) Fiscal, Tax, and Property Committee Meeting Held On Tuesday, April 24, 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.)

The Chairman of the Committee, Chairwoman McGhaney gave the following report and recommendation.

- ◆ **Request For \$2,500 From First Tee:** This matter will be discussed during the budget process.

- ◆ **Update On Assessment On Airplanes:** The Committee received a request from the Development Board asking for a lower assessment on aircraft. It was recommended to allow 4% assessment on airplanes (aircraft) in Sumter County effective upon the adoption of the appropriate ordinance to allow such to happen.
ACTION: MOTION and second was received from the Committee, and unanimously carried by Council to approve the recommendation as presented.
- ◆ **Executive Session – Economic Development Matter:** The Committee asked the Administrator to continue negotiations on this matter.
- ◆ **Executive Session -- Personnel Matter Pertaining To The Master In Equity:** The Committee directed the appropriate staff to follow-up on this matter and report back to Council.
- ◆ **Request To Hold Council Meeting At Sumter Little Theatre:** The Committee discussed having one of its meetings at the Sumter Little Theatre; the Clerk will coordinate with the Planning Commission, other staff members, and the Administrator to coordinate this meeting at the Sumter Little Theatre.
- ◆ **Propose New Education Grant Program:** The Committee referred this matter to the Education Liaison Committee of Sumter County Council.
- ◆ **Sumter County Financial Report:** The Committee received information concerning Sumter County's current budget and the upcoming budgetary matters were also discussed.
- ◆ **Ad Hoc Committee:** The Chairwoman of Sumter County Council has appointed Councilman Edens to serve as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for discussion On the Proposed Penny Sales Tax; additional Committee members will be appointed by the Chairwoman.

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

No reports were given.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

- ◆ Letter From Sumter County Sheriff – Need for four additional part-time duties.
- ◆ Sumter Volunteers, Inc.
- ◆ Historical Commission Financial Report
- ◆ Sumter Airport Commission - Public Works/Landfill
- ◆ South Carolina Legislature – S0639 – General Bill, by Leventis
- ◆ Letter From Dr. John L. Safford – Mr. Jesse Herriott

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: No report given.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Chairwoman asked if anyone for the public would like to make comments to members of Sumter County Council. The following person spoke:

- ◆ Mr. Edward Smith stated that he appreciates the Youth Park that Council is trying to start; however, the Southside of Sumter needs a park. He said he is also concerned about Evan Road being paved. (The Chairwoman asked Council to give the name of the road to Mr. Noonan.)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business and no additional comments from the public, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vivian Fleming-McGhaney

Chairman or Vice Chairman
Sumter County Council

Mary W. Blanding

Clerk to County Council

Approved: _____

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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:** April 18, 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:** April 18, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

Mary W. Blanding

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