

JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

VIRTUAL

Special Called Meeting

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg 358 3rd Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936

> July 27, 2022 MINUTES

Staff Present: County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda H. Simmons, County Attorney David Tedder and Videographer Jonathan Dunham.

Chairwoman Clark called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. Chairwoman Clark asked the Clerk to Council to read the Report of Compliance to the Freedom of Information Act. Ms. Simmons, Clerk to Council read the Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act as follows: In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were posted and furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.

The Invocation was given by Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley and the Pledge to the Flag was led by Councilman Kemp.

Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

Approval of the minutes of 05.20.2022, 05.23.2022 and 05.27.2022:

Motion to approve: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

Ordinances:

A: David Tedder - 2nd reading of Ordinance #0-2022-24 to levy and impose up to a one (1) percent sales and use tax, subject to a referendum, within Jasper County pursuant to Section 4-10-1010 et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; to define the specific purposes and designate projects for which the proceeds of the tax may be used; to provide the maximum time for which such tax may be imposed; to provide the estimated cost of the projects funded from the proceeds of the tax; to provide for a county-wide referendum on

M- 07.27.2022 Jasper County Council the imposition of the sales and use tax and the issuance of general obligation bonds and to prescribe the contents of the ballot questions in the referendum; to provide for the administration of the tax, if approved; to provide for the payment of the tax, if approved; and to provide for other matters relating thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this request. He noted that this was the 2nd reading of this ordinance and discussed the prior reading of this ordinance. He discussed the details of this new legislation and the options that were again before the County Council. After some discussion Chairwoman Clark asked what direction Council wanted to go. He noted that the first reading had been 10 days ago and that he had forwarded Council some general letters from general counsel and senate. He highlighted some areas that needed to be addressed for this ordinance. After some further consideration and discussion Council made the following motion.

Motion to not approve this reading of this ordinance: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed to not approve this reading of this ordinance.

For additional information on this meeting go to:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJlA

The information below was read for the executive session.

Motion to go into executive session: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

- (a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:
- (2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice related to pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim Exit 3

Return to Regular Session:

Motion to return to regular session: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

Executive Session Motions:

There were no motions coming from Executive Session.

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Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Sauls **Second:** Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Vote: Unanimous The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:33AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Wanda H. Simmons Clerk to Council

Barbara B. Clark Chairwoman