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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

HYBRID MEETING

Council in person with Electronic Virtual Access for the Public

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg

358 3rd Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936

June 7, 2021

AGENDA

FY 2021-2022 Budget Workshop: 4:00 P.M.

- 1. Tim Cramer – Jasper-Ridgeland Youth Baseball (JRYB) League**
- 2. Sheriff Hipp – Jasper County Sheriff’s Department**
- 3. Monica Wilson – Jasper County Auditor**

5:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order by Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark**

Clerk’s Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

- II. Executive Session**

SECTION 30-4-70. Meetings which may be closed; procedure; circumvention of chapter; disruption of meeting; executive sessions of General Assembly.

(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 a 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; Ridgeland Fire Contract; IGA between Jasper County and the Town of Hilton Head Island for services related to the Palmetto Championship; Local Hospitality and Accommodations Tax Agreement Congaree Club; Proposed Legal Services contract for Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT) with Burr Forman; Proposed Purchase of Property for Project Fence (421 N. Jasper St., Ridgeland SC.); Nickel Plate MCIP; Denise Smith.

(5) Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by a public body – Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT); Prospect Update;

ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTER ON WHICH DISCUSSION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED MAY HAVE DISCUSSION SUSPENDED FOR PURPOSES OF BEGINNING THE OPEN SESSION AT ITS SCHEDULED TIME, AND COUNCIL MAY RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION DISCUSSION AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

6:30 P.M.

- III. Return to Open Session
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Invocation
- VI. Approval of Agenda
- VII. Approval of the Minutes of April 5, 2021:
- VIII. Proclamations and Presentations: None
- IX. Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 any citizen of the County may sign to speak before the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.
**Please submit Public Comments via email at comments@jaspercountysc.gov or via US Mail at Attention: Clerk to Council P.O. Box 1149 Ridgeland, SC 29936. If you would like to be contacted by phone during Open Floor, please email your name, address and phone number to the email address listed above.*
- X. Resolutions: None
- XI. Ordinances:
 - A. **Lisa Wagner – 3rd reading** Ordinance No. [2021-13](#) to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 028-00-02-127 from the Residential Zone to the Community Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map. (1655 Becks Ferry Road)
 - B. **Lisa Wagner – 1st Reading** of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 083-00-03-058 from the Community Commercial Zone to the Mixed Business Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map. (5851 Lowcountry Drive)
 - C. **Lisa Wagner – 1st Reading** of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 067-00-01-002 from the

Planned Development District to the General Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map. (Argent Blvd. LRTA)

- D. **Lisa Wagner** – **1st Reading** of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-01-00-003 from the Resource Conservation Zone to the Residential Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map. (186 Macedonia Road)
- E. **David Tedder** – **3rd reading** of Ordinance No. **2021-08** to approve the transfer to the Town of Ridgeland by deed a road right of way generally described as a portion of the road known as Volunteer Park Road lying within the Town of Ridgeland, and to authorize the Jasper County Administrator to execute such deed and other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effect the transfer (Public hearing date 04.05.2021).
- F. **David Tedder** – Public hearing and **2nd reading** of Ordinance # **2021-15** amending Chapter 4, *Alcoholic Beverages*, of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, so as to clarify hours of operation and related matters.
- G. **David Tedder** – Public hearing and **2nd reading** of Ordinance # **2021-16** of Jasper County Council to Amend Certain Provisions to the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, to Authorize Meetings to be Held by Telephonic or Other Electronic Means, and Matters Related Thereto
- H. **Andrew Fulghum** – Public hearing and **2nd reading** of Ordinance # **2021-17** to Adopt the 2021-2022 Jasper County Capital and General Operations Budget, to make such amendments to the 2020-2021 Capital and Operational Budget to recognize and ratify transfers as authorized by Section 7 of that Budget, and other matters related thereto.

XII. New Business:

- A. **Kimberly Burgess** – Presentation of Jasper County Accommodations Tax Committee Recommendations
- B. **Kimberly Burgess** – Presentation of Local Accommodations and Hospitality Tax Requests
- C. **Kimberly Burgess** – Appointment by Council to the Jasper County Board of Appeals
- D. **Wanda Simmons** – Appointment of Ms. Josephine Anderson by Council to the LCOG Workforce Board
- E. **Wanda Simmons** – Appointment of Mr. Henry Etheridge to The Beaufort-Jasper EOC (BJEOC) Board to represent Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark of the Jasper County Council.
- F. **Wanda Simmons** – Appointment of Councilman John Kemp to the SOLOCO Board.

XIII. Old Business: None

XIV. Council Members Comments

XV. Administrator's Report

XVI. Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II.

XVII. Adjourn

***Council may act on any item appearing on the agenda including items discussed in executive session.**

In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, notification of the meeting was posted on the County Council Building at a publicly accessible place and on the county website at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of the agenda was given to the local news media and posted at the meeting location twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

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AGENDA ITEM:

FY 2021-2022

Budget Workshop

4:00 P.M.

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Baseball (JRYB) League**

Tim Cramer

NOTE:

**(No information was received
for the workshop packet)**

AGENDA ITEM:

FY 2021-2022

Budget Workshop

Jasper County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Hipp

JASPER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
FY 2022
BUDGET PRESENTATION

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LINE-ITEM OVERVIEW

010-057 - Sheriff FY 2021

REQUESTED 2022

2000	SALARIES & WAGES	\$ 2,058,000.00	\$ 2,270,200.00
2001	PART-TIME SALARIES	\$ -	\$ -
2002	RESERVE OFFICERS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
2003	CONTRACT LABOR	\$ -	\$ -
2007	SALARY YEAR END ACCRUALS	\$ -	\$ -
2020	OVERTIME	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 165,000.00
2025	OVERTIME REIMBURSEMENT	\$ -	\$ -
2030	FICA-EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	\$ 158,000.00	\$ 173,700.00
2036	S.C. RETIREMENT-EMPLOYER	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 38,600.00
2038	POLICE OFFICER RET.-EMPLOYER	\$ 339,700.00	\$ 394,300.00
2040	MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$ 427,000.00	\$ 545,000.00
2050	TORT INSURANCE	\$ 41,700.00	\$ 60,000.00
2060	WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$ 90,800.00	\$ 85,000.00
2100	TELEPHONE	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
2200	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 11,300.00
2300	GAS, OIL, & GREASE	\$ 213,000.00	\$ 213,000.00
2310	VEHICLE INSURANCE	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 83,000.00
2320	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
2321	REPAIRS - INSURANCE CLAIMS	\$ -	\$ -
2341	SHERIFF'S CARS	\$ 256,500.00	\$ 256,500.00
2400	MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 86,900.00
2410	RADIO MAINTENANCE	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
2430	EQUIPMENT	\$ 34,800.00	\$ 57,380.00
2440	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
2460	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
2463	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	\$ -	\$ 2,400.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
2464	COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	\$ -	\$ -
2610	TRAVEL & TRAINING	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
2615	GRANT MATCHING FUNDS	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
2618	BULLETPROOF VEST GRANT	\$ -	\$ -
2645	UNIFORMS	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
2820	PUBLIC BUILDING INSURANCE	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 2,100.00
2825	UTILITIES	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 31,000.00
2837	COVID-19 PANDEMIC	\$ -	\$ -
2870	MEDIA SERVICES	\$ -	\$ 11,500.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
2895	CRIME TASK FORCE	\$ -	\$ 12,000.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
4708	VEHICLE/EQUIP LOAN PAYMENTS	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00
		New Line Item FY2022	
62-2290	POSTAGE	(not included in total)	
TOTALS		\$ 4,206,700.00	\$ 7,424,363.00

010-093 - Victim's Witness FY 2021

REQUESTED 2022

2000	SALARIES & WAGES	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
2007	SALARY YEAR END ACCRUALS	\$ -	\$ -
2020	OVERTIME	\$ -	\$ -
2030	FICA-EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 2,700.00
2036	S.C. RETIREMENT-EMPLOYER	\$ -	\$ -
2038	POLICE OFFICER RET.-EMPLOYER	\$ 6,100.00	\$ 6,100.00
2040	MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
2050	TORT INSURANCE	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
2060	WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
2100	TELEPHONE	\$ -	\$ -
2200	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
2440	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ -
2460	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ -
2610	TRAVEL & TRAINING	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
2645	UNIFORMS	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
TOTALS		\$ 66,100.00	\$ 66,100.00

New Position for Airport Security

Salary	\$ 38,500.00	Starting Deputy Salary
Fringe Benefits	\$ 12,500.00	
Personal Equipment	\$ 2,500.00	Badge, Belt/Holster, Handcuffs, Etc.
Pistol	\$ 800.00	
Taser	\$ 800.00	
Vest	\$ 800.00	Vest/Cross Over Carrier with ID tags/Pouches
Body Camera	\$ 825.00	
Walkie	\$ 6,500.00	
Uniforms	\$ 1,200.00	
Radio Fee's (Walkie & Mobile)	\$ 600.00	Monthly fee (x) 12 Months
Cell Phone	\$ 600.00	Monthly fee (x) 12 Months
Vehicle Cradle Point	\$ 480.00	Monthly fee (x) 12 Months
Vehicle	\$ 32,000.00	State Contract Chevy 1500 4x4 Truck (See Attached sheet)
Vehicle Equipment & Labor	\$ 36,111.43	(See Attached Sheet for Detail Cost Breakdown)
Total for New Position	\$ 134,216.43	

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 1201 Main Street, Suite 600
 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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PU-5: Truck, Pickup, 4x4, 1/2 Ton, Crew Cab, Flex Fuel

Contract Number: 4400024878

Contractor: Love Chevrolet Company

Initial Contract Term: 11/1/2020 10/31/2021

Address: PO Box 8387, Columbia, SC 29202

Contract Rollover Dates: TBD TBD

Vendor #: 7000044959

Order Cutoff Date: 1/21/2021

Contact: Donna Casey

Model: Chevrolet Silverado (CK10743)

Email: governmentsales@loveauto.com

Commodity Code: 07202

Telephone: 803-794-9004

Delivery Days ARO: 150

Fax: 803-926-7467

BASE PRICE \$31,656.00 ----- \$32,000.00 approximate

*Click on the link above for an itemized listing of items included in the base price.

Optional Additions

Bluetooth/Hands Free Calling	Standard
Larger Bed/Cargo Box	\$305.00
Larger Differential Ratio	\$0.00
Securable Folding Bedcover (Hard Surface)	\$1,045.00
Spray-In Bedliner	\$480.00

Optional Deductions

Auxiliary Power Connection-DNR	Standard
Deduct from Positive Traction/Limited Slip	\$315.00
Power Door Locks & Windows	\$0.00
Privacy Glass-Return to Factory Tint	\$159.00
Winch - Standard State Spec	\$1,965.00

Delivery Information

Vehicle Delivery Fee	\$15.00
Distance from Dealership to SFM Delivery Point	9
Delivery price per mile in excess of the miles above	\$1.67

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DETAIL FOR VEHICLE EQUIPMENT (NEW POSITION)

Equipment Name	Manufacturer	Description	Cost
Lightbar Liberty II DUO	Whelen	Liberty DUO Blue/White	\$ 1,550.00
Rear Bumper Lights	Whelen	ION	\$ 250.00
Push Bumper	Setina	BK2020TAH15PB8	\$ 1,039.00
Siren / Controller	Whelen	CENCOM CORE	\$ 2,000.00
Siren Speaker w Bracket	Whelen	SA315P w Bracket comes with CENCOM CORE	INCLUDED
Console	HAVIS	C-VS-1005-TAH-PM	\$ 1,010.00
Printer	Brother	PJ-773	\$ 600.00
Laptop	Panasonic	Panasonic Toughbook 55	\$ 5,500.00
Cradlepoint	Cradlepoint	IBR-900	\$ 890.00
Cradlepoint Antenna	Panorama	Panorama Sharkee	\$ 350.00
Laptop Docking Station	HAVIS	DS-PAN-1112-2	\$ 1,047.37
Printer Mount	HAVIS	built into console	NA
Radar	Stalker	Stalker Dual	\$ 2,700.00
Mobile Radio	Motorola	APX7500-05	\$ 6,800.00
Camera System	Digital ally	DVM-800	\$ 5,000.00
Shotgun Mount	Setina	Dual Weapon mount	\$ 450.00
Prisoner Partition	Setina	PK1151TAH15	\$ 879.00
Window Screens	Setina	WK0514TAH15H	\$ 269.00
Laptop Mount	HAVIS	PKG-PSM-368	\$ 679.06
Chargeguard	HAVIS	CG-X	\$ 100.00
Door Panels Rear	Setina	DK0100TAH15	\$ 269.00
Cargo Partition	Setina	PK0316TAH152ND	\$ 519.00
Install Supplies	Fuse Panels Circuit breakers	Blue Sea Fuse Panels, Wire Supplies	\$ 250.00
Labor	Install Labor		\$ 1,250.00
Graphics	Southern Signs and Graphics	Vehicle Graphics Package	\$ 600.00
Rear Window Side Lights	WHELEN	Ion	\$ 250.00
Weapons Vault	Estes AWS	Required for Fed. 1033 Weapons	\$ 1,200.00
Stop Sticks	Stop Sticks Solutions	Tire Deflation Device	\$ 500.00
Flashlight	Stinger	Handheld	\$ 160.00
Equipment and Installation		Total	\$ 36,111.43

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**LE-4 - Law Enforcement, Pursuit Rated Sedan, V8 RWD with Add Option
 to V6 AWD, Gas**

<u>Contract Number:</u>	4400024876	<u>Contractor:</u>	Performance CDJR
<u>Initial Contract Term:</u>	11/1/2020 - 10/31/2021	<u>Address:</u>	605 Warsaw HWY Clinton NC 28338
<u>Contract Rollover Dates:</u>		<u>Vendor #:</u>	7000241847
<u>Order Cut Off Date:</u>	8/5/2021	<u>Contact:</u>	Amy Hill
<u>Model:</u>	2021 Dodge Charger LDDE48 RWD V8 Pursuit	<u>Email:</u>	ahill@ramclinton.com
<u>Commodity Code:</u>	07105	<u>Telephone:</u>	336-687-7964
<u>Delivery Days ARO:</u>	120	<u>Fax:</u>	

<u>BASE PRICE</u>	\$25,250.00	-----	\$25,250.00
*Click on the link above for an itemized listing of items included in the base price.			+ 235.00 glass
			+ 500.00 tax
			\$25,985.00 TOTAL

Optional Additions

<i>Drivetrain from V8 RWD to V6 AWD</i>	\$1,962.00
<i>Center Console Upgrade from Police Interior Package-Full factory console</i>	\$259.00
<i>Change to Carpet & Cloth Interior</i>	No Charge
<i>Privacy Glass (State Standard Spec)</i>	\$235.00
<i>Street Appearance Package-Does not include spotlamp for true street appearance. Blends with general population</i>	No Charge

Optional Deductions

<i>Driver-side Mounted Spotlight</i>	\$185.00
<i>Distance From Dealership to SFM</i>	\$12.00
<i>Header-Mounted Switch Controlled High Intensity Map Light (Law Enforcement Dome Light)</i>	No Charge

Delivery Information

<i>Distance From Dealership to SFM</i>	12
<i>Amt. of Base Price Allocated to Delivery to SFM</i>	\$18.00
<i>Price Per Mile Contractor May Charge</i>	\$1.50

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010-057-2307 NEW VEHICLES

Sheriff's Office Vehicles over 100,000

As of February 1, 2021

(increases by approximately 3,000 to 4,000 miles per month)

<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Mileage</u>
13	100,000 – 150,000
18	150,000 – 200,000
6	200,000 – 250,000
3	250,000 – 300,000
2	300,000 – Plus

***Note: Total Vehicles Currently over 100,000 is "42"**



Vehicle Assessment

2021

Vehicles

Transportation equipment costs rank as the second greatest expenditure that the Jasper County Sheriff's Office faces, just below personnel salaries and benefits. Considering the cost and frequency of fleet vehicle replacement, Jasper County must consider improved strategies for developing budget estimates and priorities. These estimates should include the life-cycle estimates (i.e., vehicle operation and maintenance), purchase and lease options, vehicle rotation or replacement, and fleet liability. One of the major areas of concern over procurement pertains directly to budget constraints and the number of vehicles necessarily targeted for replacement.

Life-Cycle Estimates

Considering the cost and frequency of vehicle rotation or replacement, Jasper County Sheriff's Office must find better strategies for developing life-cycle estimates, including vehicle replacement, operation, and maintenance. The development of strategies can improve vehicle operating efficiency, reduce unnecessary equipment costs, and improve overall agency efficiency. Because of the needs, objectives, and financial and operating capabilities the Sheriff's Office must analyze the advantages and disadvantages of its methods of maintaining equipment to determine which method will best contribute to the overall objectives of the agency in a cost-effective manner. Most of all, economic life of equipment is of critical importance to the Sheriff. It relates to the total stream of costs associated with the specific unit over a period of time. It has impacts upon both capital and operating budgets. The economic life of a unit refers to the length of time the average total vehicle cost is at a minimum. Total unit expense encompasses all costs associated with the ownership of the vehicle.

The initial purchase price of a vehicle does not accurately or completely indicate the cost of the vehicle. While the price of a new vehicle represents the expenditure to acquire the automobile, several other component factors determine the final cost (i.e.: mobile radios, computers, video systems, etc.). The identification and analysis components cost form the basis of life-cycle costing.

The Jasper County Sheriff's Office should apply life-cycle costing (a method of projecting and evaluating the costs of one particular vehicle with another similar, yet alternative, vehicle) to determine when they should rotate or replace a vehicle. The optimum time to replace a vehicle is when its total costs, averaged over the vehicle's lifetime, are at a minimum. The concept, referred to as the economic life expectancy of the vehicle, includes such costs as depreciation, operating expenses, maintenance, and downtime. Agencies can reasonably expect that some costs for components will rise during the economic life of a vehicle, whereas others decline.

While optimum replacement of a vehicle represents an annual economic dilemma, the key factors in evaluating an efficient replacement program have specific data collection requirements that constitute major concerns in any life-cycle costing. These include initial acquisition costs, purchase price of the vehicle, preparation for use, operating expenses, insurance, preventive maintenance and repair costs, downtime, and costs related to the disposal of the vehicle.

With this data, a trade-off in costs occurs between young and old fleets. However, the younger the fleet, the lower the fuel, maintenance, and repair costs, but the higher the capital outlay. Because a younger fleet is less prone to breakdowns, these increased capital costs are reduced somewhat by a need for spare or back-up vehicles.

The Jasper County Sheriff's Office must set priorities to determine which vehicles it needs to replace with available funding. If a patrol car is due to be replaced, the Sheriff's Office should project the total costs of that unit for the following year and compare that cost to the proposed replacement price. The Sheriff's Office should use the price difference, as the basis for not holding the current vehicle beyond its economic point of replacement. In order to maintain the lowest cost and maximum vehicle availability, replace older vehicles when the cost to operate and maintain them is higher than that of a new vehicle. This is the basic concept of life-cycle costing, and good common sense.

Once the Jasper County Sheriff's Office has determined its basis for life-cycle costing, it has the responsibility to place its funding within the most appropriate areas when replacing its fleet. Dollar for dollar, which is best-leasing or buying?

Purchase and Lease Options

When should the Jasper County Sheriff's Office purchase a vehicle? *When it has money.* Should the Sheriff's Office lease or own? *That depends on the amount of money available and the number of vehicles needed.* When agencies have cash, they own. If a poor cash flow exists, they have the option to choose the action of using someone else's money by leasing.

Leasing allows agencies to acquire new, updated vehicles with the latest engineering changes. It also allows them to take advantage of increased efficiencies and productivity demands on operations. Agencies can lower annual operating and maintenance costs due to the new technology. Vehicle maintenance costs of older vehicle change, based on use, proper or improper application, fleet mix, density, and operational or ergonomic modifications (prisoner cages).

Leasing represents a viable option that has sustained merit, especially for Jasper County Sheriff's Office. With leasing, agencies look to step outside the traditional paradigms of buying vehicles. All agencies need to focus on what makes the most common business sense when they tie life-cycle costing, and specific use requirements of patrol vehicles together.

In private industry, fleet vehicle leasing is a common practice, with costs as the reason most often cited. As always, a multitude of financial options exists when considering cost and programs available, money management, and budget constraints. A national account agreement offers fleet managers a variety of branded products and services from multiple vendors nationwide at uniform, predetermined, and usually discounted prices. Many lease options or packages exist and vary from company to company. However, a consensus of fleet managers nationwide revealed basic sources for national lease programs.

- 1) **Direct from the manufacturer/vendor:** The end-user (fleet) can negotiate a national account agreement directly with a manufacturer or service provider. However, agencies must obtain individual agreements for each category of service or product, as well as, each brand name. This method results in multiple billings and is subject to fleet-size requirements. This would constitute a viable option through specific vendors for smaller fleets operated locally.
- 2) **Through an independent service company:** These companies negotiate agreements with multiple vendors for a variety of services, products, and brand names of vehicles within each category. They often will perform as a vendor by generating their own programs, including statistical reporting. Some positive features include the agency obtaining complete coverage, benefitting from single-source central billing, and maximizing all available discounts in light of the service company's huge volume.
- 3) **Through a leasing company:** Working with a leasing company proves essentially the same as dealing with an independent service company. However, the use of only national account program coverage, if and when it is available, may be subject to maximum fleet size requirements. For those fleet managers that use a purchase/disposal program, this method carries the added advantage of combining both programs together for a total package.

Regardless of the type of lease program, the Jasper County Sheriff's Office needs to pay particular attention to the detailed requirements listed within any lease agreement. The Jasper County Sheriff's Office is noted for its 24-hour service and the maximized operations of fleets during strenuous use periods in all variables pertaining to weather conditions. They also alter the vehicles to accommodate the installation of radios, light bars, video cameras, computers, gun racks, and other necessary equipment. When looking at lease options, open-ended leases stand as the most practical for law enforcement. Fleet administrators should be looking at open-ended leases where it does not matter whether holes are drilled into the vehicles, or how many miles they have been driven, or how old the cars are. An open-ended lease gives equity participation, the same as owning the vehicle. At the end of the use cycle, the vehicle will sell for whatever the sale value is at that time. Then, the lessee and the lessor mutually agree on the differential between the sale price and the remaining book balance. If the sale price is higher than the book balance, the agency obtains credit. If the sale price of the vehicle is less than the book balance, the agency owes the lessor additional depreciation money. This allows the agency to dispose of the vehicle as they see fit. The State of Michigan put financial models through several different versions and scenarios and each time the models showed that leasing saved the State money. One reason was that the State deferred capital cash expenditures, paying instead only the lease costs incurred in each individual year. They flattened the State's budget in that lease payments are consistent year after year. There are no varying years where an agency will need to request additional appropriations. The State of Michigan is constantly replacing vehicles based on replacement criteria.

For some smaller agencies or municipalities, another option is tax-exempt, lease-purchase financing. This type of lease provides the best of both, ownership and leasing. There is no major capital outlay for the acquisition of vehicles and payments are spread out over 2 to 5 years. With this option, the agency acquires ownership at the conclusion of the lease term. In that regard, it resembles a conditional sale or an installment purchase transaction. These leases are specially designed contracts that do not create general obligation debt. The lease payment is generally an operating expense in the budget even though the agreement may cover many years. The Jasper County Sheriff's Office would retain the vehicles at the end of this lease and could dispose of or reallocate the vehicles (move to administrative roles) as needed.

The tax-exempt, lease-purchase agreement will allow the Sheriff's Office to acquire essential vehicles immediately. The vehicles are financed at tax-exempt rates and there is no federal income tax on the interest. This type of program is very advantageous if coupled with the open-ended lease. It affords the agency the ability to acquire the vehicles it needs without major cash outlays, long term debt obligations, or, in most cases, voter approval.

All of the advantages and disadvantages of leasing versus buying must be carefully weighed. As money gets tighter, all governmental entities must seek more creative ways to spread costs. Once an agency determines the direction fleet acquisition will take, it must establish parameters for vehicle replacement. Replacement criteria are not always detectable from the outward appearance or operation of the vehicle, agencies must establish such guidelines at the time of purchase.

It is commonplace for all governmental entities to follow the requests of the public and stretch existing tax dollars. This results in agencies buying less, stretching supplies, and making things last longer, including patrol vehicles.

If an agency must make its vehicle last longer, it has to ask what its needs are and how it can work smarter to calculate how long a vehicle will last. That is a difficult question to answer. Most police agencies take their patrol cars out of service between 80,000 to 120,000 miles. Some agencies are bound by laws and must take their vehicles out of service at a specific mileage. Others use their vehicles for primary response until 50,000 miles and then place them into back-up service, low-mileage service, or take them out of service completely and sell them at auction.

Elected officials, who see budget constraints and want to make the dollars stretch even farther, continually challenge these standards. Jasper County must look at important issues when deciding how long it can afford to keep their vehicles safe, especially when trying to cut corners to appease citizens concerned with government spending. When pursuing someone at 100 miles per hour (or more) in a patrol car with over 100,000 miles on it; how safe is the Deputy? Even with the best care and detailed safety inspections, potential problems can be undiscovered. While many part failures are irritating at low speeds-at pursuit speeds they can be disastrous, or even deadly.

The Jasper County Sheriff's Office should base replacement criteria on elements surrounding the age of the vehicle, operating costs, mileage, vehicle fatigue, and current usefulness. These individual areas have their own importance and may seem insignificant; however, when considering the criteria in combinations, they provide a whole new perspective. With high mileage vehicles, the most common concerns are the engine, transmission, and differential. While those objects represent the heart of the automobile and the highest cost items, they are the ones least likely affected by high mileage. In fact, the drivetrain of a police car with 100,000 miles on it may well be in better condition than the proverbial, "little old lady's 25,000 mile sedan only driven to church and the supermarket."

More than 75 percent of engine wear occurs on startup and shutdown. During those times, bearings are not lubricated and literally run dry for a short period of time. Short trips, where the engine and other components never get a chance to fully warm up, are also hard on a vehicle because moisture does not evaporate and can mix the normal products of fuel combustion to form acids that attack bearings and other engine parts. As long as the prescribed maintenance intervals are followed, drivetrain components usually incur the more minor problems a high mileage vehicle will suffer. The ancillary parts of the vehicle such as bushings, deteriorate. Brake and fuel lines and wiring harnesses wear through at body attachment points or where they pass through frame members. Interior components, such as seats, controls, and interior upholstery, show signs of wear thousands of miles before a mechanical component. Look at a 2 year old patrol car; it will still look good on the outside while the interior shows wear on the seats, arm rests, pedals, and other areas. The passenger's seat may look new, but the driver's seat will show the effects of thousands of hours of patrol.

Two factors determine the life expectancy of a vehicle: environment and maintenance. As long as deputies (and the County Maintenance Department) follow the manufacturers schedules during the life-cycling process, the cars should hold up reasonably well. Regular maintenance does not guarantee that a vehicle will stay in good condition forever. Automobiles are made of plastic, steel, rubber, and aluminum which will weaken over time. There has to be a point when those materials are not strong enough to take the wear and tear the police give them. Because no definitive information exists on how long various parts last in a vehicle, the question of safety-related parts become dangerous constitutes and arguable point. Safe-operating procedures should dictate that parts be replaced at an arbitrary point before they show excess wear and certainly before any potential weakness and failure can occur.

Arbitrary or scheduled replacement of parts can lead to another problem-expense. Higher maintenance downtime increases costs. Mechanics and replacement components create expenses; moreover cars off the road do not produce results, they produce bills. The other factor that determines the life expectancy of a vehicle is the conditions it operates under. Not just the use aspect, such as law enforcement or civilian, but the actual environment. The ideal environment for anything composed primarily of steel is a warm, dry climate such as the American southwest. Because the area is warm and dry, steel is less likely to rust. In areas where there is more moisture or corrosive elements, such as salt, metal life expectancy is much shorter. The coastal states, where salt is always in the atmosphere, provide the ideal recipe for short vehicle life. Overall, a newer car may cost more money, but it can save the agency money in reduced fuel and maintenance costs. Also, an agencies image can suffer if all it uses are older cars. How safe will citizens feel when they see a 10 year old patrol car on the streets? They may applaud the agencies fiscal responsibility, but they may also ask why the cars are not safer and more up to date.

A final point rests with litigation. What are the legal consequences of keeping a patrol car too long? All in all, the concept of saving money by repairing cars or keeping them too long can be expensive. If an older car causes a crash, is the Deputy, Sheriff's Office, or Jasper County open to litigation that could cost several times the replacement of the entire fleet? Jasper County should not take lawsuits or litigation lightly. There are cases on file providing data where agencies have lost lawsuits because of poorly maintained equipment, which is the main cause of automobile crashes. A jury may hesitate to find fault with a case involving a new patrol vehicle, but has less of a problem finding guilt with an agency operating poorly maintained or out-of-date equipment.

In the private sector, the National Association of Fleet Administrators (NAFA) presents factual information that identifies the personal liability that fleet managers and their employees face when insufficient or improper maintenance causes traffic related fatalities. They contend that this liability has surfaced specifically in the area of poorly maintained trucks or commercial carriers. NAFA has identified the area of commercial carrier/big-rig liability because of the tremendous amount of money attached to the suits. Facts state that when a tractor trailer is wrecked, the money figures run well over \$150,000.00. Trucking companies that have large fleets of trucks are thought to have easy access to cash pools through their insurance carriers. Therefore, they are projected as easy targets for litigation. Once the suit is filed, those individuals who manage the fleet are identified in the suit. Although NAFA has addressed this issue specifically concerning commercial/big-rig fleets, they want fleet managers who oversee fleets of all sizes to become aware of this increasing risk, as governments are also viewed as having "deep pockets." The cost associated with good maintenance pales in comparison to the price Jasper County will pay if a poorly maintained vehicle kills an innocent person. In New Jersey, for example, fleet managers and company owners have been convicted of manslaughter and jailed when their poorly maintained trucks caused traffic fatalities. Even when criminal prosecution is not called for, an investigation may expose Jasper County to civil liability which can cripple or even destroy it. While legal standards often are different for commercial and public enterprises and liability for state and local agencies is limited by law, the issue of liability is still a major concern for the Jasper County Sheriff's Office.

With these types of issues becoming more prevalent with time, it becomes absolutely necessary to assess the risks and reevaluate the old ways of doing business. By making safety one of the top priorities and continually evaluating the life-cycle process, Jasper County Sheriff's Office should replace older equipment with newer equipment, which will save lives and protect them from issues surrounding liability.

CONCLUSION

The patrol vehicle represents a major expenditure for the Jasper County Sheriff's Office. Those elected officials who want to tighten governmental spending have begun to challenge the current methodology used for determining vehicle replacement. Jasper County Sheriff's Office is being forced into keeping patrol vehicles longer. Therefore, the equipment sustains more mileage and wear and tear before being rotated out of service. When looking at an appropriate time to rotate a vehicle out of service, Jasper County needs to consider several items:

1. The Sheriff's Office must take a candid look at the vehicle selection.
 - a. If Jasper County addresses the proper needs, they should have little problem in picking the best vehicle from the published performance testing, rather than selecting the least expensive option.
2. When the Sheriff's Office decides which vehicles are appropriate for their needs, they must look at financial options.
 - a. Outright purchase versus lease options
3. Once a fleet of vehicles is delivered, the Sheriff's Office must evaluate and project the economic life expectancy of the equipment.
 - a. Life-cycling-maintenance, operating expense, downtime, depreciation, and fuel economy.
4. Jasper County must look at the established requirements surrounding mileage restrictions and extended warranties. Some agencies have rigid guidelines that require mandatory rotation at given intervals.
5. Litigation
 - a. If vehicles are causing crashes, it is imperative that adjustments be made to replacement policies. Fleet rotation is not a simple process.

Jasper County Sheriff's Office must consider many factors and reevaluate them annually. The safety of the Deputies and the public they serve, the image the agency projects, and the efficiency and effectiveness of their operations depend on decisions regarding how the vehicle fleet is managed.

At higher mileages, major service issues and expenses such as engine and transmission problems, frequently occur. Sheriff's Office vehicles are driven extremely hard and are more likely to have issues earlier than other fleet cars. Costs of unpredictable performance associated with high-mileage vehicles are greater than the cost of purchasing vehicle more frequently.

Jasper County Sheriff's Office has patrol vehicles with more than 300,000 miles on them. This is a figure that experts agree is an unreasonable mileage level. It is a figure that was unheard of a decade ago. Agencies that must use higher mileage vehicles have trouble convincing elected officials that older vehicles could actually be contributing more to the department's bottom line.

Most fleets prefer to keep fleet vehicle mileage levels in the 80,000-120,000 range. The perception is that the older a vehicle, the more expensive it is to maintain, particularly given the nature of the law enforcement profession and the job itself, which often includes high-speed chases and vehicles driven in particularly hard environmental conditions in Jasper County. Our Deputies are tough on their vehicles, for obvious reasons, and we should replace 25 percent of our fleet each year. However, a vehicle can be driven over the average mileage level if it has a clean service record.

Priority for newer vehicles is in the Patrol Division; command, undercover, and administrative vehicles are often older. The Sheriff's Office will rotate older fleet vehicles to our administrative pool. More vehicle value is lost in depreciation rather than elected officials realize. To help maintain performance as long as possible, practicing vehicle rotation should be a priority. This means lower mileage units are occasionally switched to high-mileage duties and vice-versa. It helps to balance out the fleet in terms of vehicle turnover needs. It is a way to maximize a vehicles lifespan.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A fleet should remain as new as possible. Most information states that the optimum mileage for rotation stands anywhere between 80,000-120,000 miles. Mechanical repair costs go up substantially after a vehicle reaches 70,000-80,000 miles. Increases in the speed limits on South Carolina highways has taken place. With the increases in the speed limits, additional stress occurs on each police vehicle that patrols the highways. This is because of the higher and longer sustained speeds officer must use to overtake violators and respond to calls for service. Once the police vehicle has reached the higher speeds, it will incur additional wear and tear on an already taxed braking system as the driver must apply brakes longer to slow the vehicle down. With these areas of concern in mind, Jasper County should take a hard, long look at their rotation policies. The Sheriff's Office should give specific consideration to not exceeding an 80,000-90,000 mile vehicle rotation policy. Jasper County should place the safety of the men and women operating the vehicles above any other consideration.

A method of life-cycle costing should be applied to help The Sheriff's Office determine how long a fleet should be used and whether 300,000+ miles is an acceptable level. Considering the cost and frequency of vehicle rotation or replacement, the Sheriff's Office can find better strategies for developing life-cycle estimates, including vehicle replacement, operation, and maintenance. Developing these strategies will improve vehicle operating and overall agency efficiencies, reducing unnecessary costs.

Increased resale value can help pay for new vehicles. The Sheriff's Office needs to consider quality in the short-term and depreciation in the long-term and plan to resell the vehicles. Jasper County needs to make purchase decisions with resale value in mind. Vehicles with automatic door locks, fabric seats, and other desirable yet inexpensive options, often generate a good return.

At auction, vehicles are generally sold for \$3000.00-\$7500.00. Fleet vehicles sold at auction are purchased at or near the Blue Book Value. Even if they sell for below that standard value, Jasper County spend very little to promote the auction and can use websites such as GOVDEALS.COM. Auction buyers know that our vehicles are maintained and have many features or additions that are not standard in most vehicles (police packages). Auctions can drive up the price of a car, allowing the department to realize up to and beyond the Blue Book value. Jasper County recently auctioned several old Sheriff's vehicles. Due to high mileage and age the proceeds were only \$500.00-\$1000.00 per vehicle. Several vehicles did not even receive bids.

Dealers often give a trade-in value comparable to the Blue Book values for police vehicles because they know they have been maintained. But, if an agency desires cash instead of a trade-in from a dealer, they often can expect a few thousand dollars less than from selling to a private buyer. There is always a high demand for vehicles with the full police package. The proceeds are returned to Jasper County's General Fund and may ultimately be used to offset new vehicle purchases.

South Carolina Fleet Management Services Vehicle Replacement Criteria

It is the intent and policy of the South Carolina Department of Administration that the State achieve the maximum return on investment in its motor vehicle fleet. This table shows disposal criteria for the various classes and sizes of State vehicles. These criteria are established as minimums only. Agencies may continue to operate vehicles past these minimums as long as they are determined to be safe and cost effective to operate.

Vehicles may be identified for disposal before the minimum criteria have been met when the cost of repairs shall be determined to be non-cost effective, or if a vehicle is declared excess to the needs of the State.

Non-compliance with these criteria may be cause for disapproval of requests to acquire replacement vehicles without additional justification. The criteria for non-passenger carrying vehicles and busses are recommended minimum guidelines, and agencies may apply their own criteria for these classes. However, if other criteria not meeting these minimum guidelines are used, agencies shall forward a copy of such, including justifications, to State Fleet Management for approval.

Vehicle Type	Replacement Cycle (months)	Mileage
Sedan, compact	84	100,000
Sedan, midsize	84	110,000
Sedan, full size	72	125,000
Sedan, executive	72	125,000
Sedan, Police	48	125,000
Station wagon, mid-size	84	125,000
Van, mini, passenger	84	125,000
Utility, mid-size, 4x2	84	125,000
Utility, mid-size, 4x4	84	125,000
Utility, full-size, 4x2	84	150,000
Utility, full-size, 4x4	84	150,000
Pick-up 2500, 4x4	84	150,000
Pick-up, compact, 4x2	96	125,000
Pick-up, 1500, 4x2	120	150,000

Sheriff's Office Vehicles over 100,000
As of February 1, 2021

<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Mileage</u>
13	100,000 – 150,000
18	150,000 – 200,000
6	200,000 – 250,000
3	250,000 – 300,000
2	300,000 – Plus

***Note: Total Vehicles Currently over 100,000 is "42"**



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Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware						
73202	AXON BODY 3 - NA10		45	0.00	0.00	0.00
74210	AXON BODY 3 - 8 BAY DOCK		6	0.00	0.00	0.00
71026	MAGNET MOUNT, FLEXIBLE REINFORCED, RAPIDLOCK		50	0.00	0.00	0.00
11534	USB-C to USB-A CABLE FOR AB3 OR FLEX 2		45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other						
73827	AB3 CAMERA TAP WARRANTY	60	45	0.00	0.00	0.00
73828	AB3 8 BAY DOCK TAP WARRANTY	60	6	0.00	0.00	0.00
71019	NORTH AMER POWER CORD FOR AB3 8-BAY, AB2 1-BAY / 6-BAY DOCK		6	0.00	0.00	0.00
Subtotal						0.00
Estimated Shipping						0.00
Estimated Tax						0.00
Total						0.00

Year 1

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Axon Plans & Packages						
20248	TASER 7 EVIDENCE.COM ACCESS LICENSE	60	1	0.00	0.00	0.00

Year 1 (Continued)

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Axon Plans & Packages (Continued)						
73746	PROFESSIONAL EVIDENCE.COM LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73686	EVIDENCE.COM UNLIMITED AXON DEVICE STORAGE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73683	10 GB EVIDENCE.COM A-LA-CART STORAGE	60	1,560	0.00	0.00	0.00
73680	RESPOND DEVICE PLUS LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73681	AXON RECORDS FULL	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73739	PERFORMANCE LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
20248	TASER 7 EVIDENCE.COM ACCESS LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
20246	TASER 7 DUTY CARTRIDGE REPLACEMENT ACCESS LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
85760	AUTO-TRANSCRIBE UNLIMITED ACCESS SERVICE (LE ONLY)	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73618	CITIZEN FOR COMMUNITIES USER ACCESS LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73478	REDACTION ASSISTANT USER ACCESS LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
11642	THIRD-PARTY VIDEO SUPPORT LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73687	EVIDENCE.COM VIEWER LICENSE	60	1	0.00	0.00	0.00
73682	AUTO TAGGING LICENSE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hardware						
20160	TASER 7 HOLSTER - SAFARILAND, RH+CART CARRIER		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
75015	SIGNAL SIDEARM KIT		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
20050	HOOK-AND-LOOP TRAINING (HALT) SUIT		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		156	0.00	0.00	0.00
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		156	0.00	0.00	0.00
20008	TASER 7 HANDLE, YLW, HIGH VISIBILITY (GREEN LASER), CLASS 3R		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
20040	TASER 7 HANDLE WARRANTY, 4-YEAR		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
22179	TASER 7 INERT CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		50	0.00	0.00	0.00
22181	TASER 7 INERT CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		50	0.00	0.00	0.00
71044	BATTERY, SIGNAL SIDEARM, CR2430 SINGLE PACK		104	0.00	0.00	0.00

Year 1 (Continued)

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware (Continued)						
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3 5-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22177	TASER 7 HOOK-AND-LOOP TRN (HALT) CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22178	TASER 7 HOOK-AND-LOOP TRN (HALT) CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUART NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
20018	TASER 7 BATTERY PACK, TACTICAL		54	0.00	0.00	0.00
20041	TASER 7 BATTERY PACK WARRANTY, 4-YEAR		54	0.00	0.00	0.00
20042	TASER 7 DOCK & CORE WARRANTY, 4-YEAR		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
70033	WALL MOUNT BRACKET, ASSY, EVIDENCE.COM DOCK		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
74200	TASER 7 6-BAY DOCK AND CORE		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
80090	TARGET FRAME, PROFESSIONAL, 27.5 IN. X 75 IN., TASER 7		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
73202	AXON BODY 3 - NA10		7	699.00	699.00	4,893.00
11534	USB-C to USB-A CABLE FOR AB3 OR FLEX 2		7	0.00	0.00	0.00
71026	MAGNET MOUNT, FLEXIBLE REINFORCED, RAPIDLOCK		8	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other						
73940	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM BUNDLE	60	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73941	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM PAYMENT	12	52	2,868.00	2,498.31	129,912.12
Not Eligible/Customer Declined Channel Services	Not Eligible/Customer Declined Channel Services		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
20271	AXON VR CONTROLLER KIT		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
80087	TASER 7 TARGET, CONDUCTIVE, PROFESSIONAL (RUGGEDIZED)		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
73827	AB3 CAMERA TAP WARRANTY	12	7	0.00	0.00	0.00
20120	TASER 7 INSTRUCTOR COURSE VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00

Year 1 (Continued)

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Other (Continued)						
20119	TASER 7 MASTER INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
Services						
79999	AUTO TAGGING / PERFORMANCE IMPLEMENTATION SERVICE		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
					Subtotal	134,805.12
					Estimated Tax	12,132.46
					Total	146,937.58

Spares

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware						
20008	TASER 7 HANDLE, YLW, HIGH VISIBILITY (GREEN LASER), CLASS 3R		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
73202	AXON BODY 3 - NA10		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
20040	TASER 7 HANDLE WARRANTY, 4-YEAR		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
11534	USB-C to USB-A CABLE FOR AB3 OR FLEX 2		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
71026	MAGNET MOUNT, FLEXIBLE REINFORCED, RAPIDLOCK		8	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other						
73827	AB3 CAMERA TAP WARRANTY	60	1	0.00	0.00	0.00
					Subtotal	0.00
					Estimated Tax	0.00
					Total	0.00

Year 2

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware						
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other						
73941	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM PAYMENT	12	52	2,868.00	2,868.00	149,136.00
20120	TASER 7 INSTRUCTOR COURSE VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00

Year 2 (Continued)

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)	
Other (Continued)							
20119	TASER 7 MASTER INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00	
						Subtotal	149,136.00
						Estimated Tax	13,422.24
						Total	162,558.24

Year 3

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)	
Hardware							
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22177	TASER 7 HOOK-AND-LOOP TRN (HALT) CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00	
22178	TASER 7 HOOK-AND-LOOP TRN (HALT) CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUART NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Other							
73309	AXON CAMERA REFRESH ONE		52	0.00	0.00	0.00	
73941	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM PAYMENT	12	52	2,868.00	2,868.00	149,136.00	
73309	AXON CAMERA REFRESH ONE		1	0.00	0.00	0.00	
73689	MULTI-BAY BWC DOCK 1ST REFRESH		6	0.00	0.00	0.00	
20120	TASER 7 INSTRUCTOR COURSE VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00	
20119	TASER 7 MASTER INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00	
						Subtotal	149,136.00
						Estimated Tax	13,422.24
						Total	162,558.24

Year 4

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware						
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00

Year 4 (Continued)

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Other						
73941	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM PAYMENT	12	52	2,868.00	2,868.00	149,136.00
20120	TASER 7 INSTRUCTOR COURSE VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
20119	TASER 7 MASTER INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
					Subtotal	149,136.00
					Estimated Tax	13,422.24
					Total	162,558.24

Year 5

Item	Description	Term (Months)	Quantity	List Unit Price	Net Unit Price	Total (USD)
Hardware						
22175	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, STANDOFF (3.5-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
22176	TASER 7 LIVE CARTRIDGE, CLOSE QUARTERS (12-DEGREE) NS		104	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other						
73310	AXON CAMERA REFRESH TWO		52	0.00	0.00	0.00
73941	OFFICER SAFETY PLAN 7+ PREMIUM PAYMENT	12	52	2,868.00	2,868.00	149,136.00
73310	AXON CAMERA REFRESH TWO		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
73688	MULTI-BAY BWC DOCK 2ND REFRESH		6	0.00	0.00	0.00
20120	TASER 7 INSTRUCTOR COURSE VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
20119	TASER 7 MASTER INSTRUCTOR SCHOOL VOUCHER		1	0.00	0.00	0.00
					Subtotal	149,136.00
					Estimated Tax	13,422.24
					Total	162,558.24

Grand Total 797,170.54

Discounts (USD)

Quote Expiration: 03/07/2021

List Amount	750,573.00
Discounts	19,223.88
Total	731,349.12

**Total excludes applicable taxes*

Summary of Payments

Payment	Amount (USD)
TAP Refresh #8400	0.00
Year 1	146,937.58
Spares	0.00
Year 2	162,558.24
Year 3	162,558.24
Year 4	162,558.24
Year 5	162,558.24
Grand Total	797,170.54

Notes

Agency has existing contract #8400 (originated via Q-84183, Q-173801, Q-177579, and Q-202667) and is terminating that contract upon the new license start date (4/1/2021) of this quote.

The parties agree that Axon is granting a refund of \$19,223.72 (applied to Year #1 licenses) to refund paid, but undelivered services. This discount is based on a ship date range of 3/1/2021-3/15/2021, resulting in a 4/1/2021 license date. Any change in this date and resulting license start date will result in modification of this discount value which may result in additional fees due to or from Axon.

Purchase of TASER 7 are governed by the TASER 7 Agreement located at <https://www.axon.com/legal/sales-terms-and-conditions> and not the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement referenced below.

Tax is subject to change at order processing with valid exemption.

Axon's Sales Terms and Conditions

This Quote is limited to and conditional upon your acceptance of the provisions set forth herein and Axon's Master Services and Purchasing Agreement (posted at www.axon.com/legal/sales-terms-and-conditions), as well as the attached Statement of Work (SOW) for Axon Fleet and/or Axon Interview Room purchase, if applicable. Any purchase order issued in response to this Quote is subject solely to the above referenced terms and conditions. By signing below, you represent that you are lawfully able to enter into contracts. If you are signing on behalf of an entity (including but not limited to the company, municipality, or government agency for whom you work), you represent to Axon that you have legal authority to bind that entity. If you do not have this authority, please do not sign this Quote.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Name (Print): _____ Title: _____
PO# (Or write N/A): _____

Please sign and email to Matt Dearing at mdearing@axon.com or fax to

Thank you for being a valued Axon customer. For your convenience on your next order, please check out our online store buy.axon.com

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Axon Internal Use Only

		SFDC Contract #
		Order Type
		RMA #
		Address Used
		SO #
Review 1	Review 2	
Comments:		

Q-284189-44244.884JC

NEW EMPLOYEE TESTING COST

National Police Standards Test	\$ 35.00
Psychological Testing	\$ 125.00
Polygraph Testing	<u>\$ 400.00</u>
Total (Per Employee)	\$ 560.00

NOTE: Estimated cost as of April 2021



Jasper County Sheriff's Office

DONALD HIP, Sheriff

12008 North Jacob Smart Boulevard

P.O. Box 986 Ridgeland, SC 29936

Phone: (843) 726-7777

Fax (843) 726-7778

010-057-5050 EQUIPMENT-NARCOTICS EQUIPMENT

In this budget line item, we have asked for \$12,000.00 in funding. The reason for this is due to the Jasper County Sheriff's Office not having any equipment which will be utilized during short-term and long-term Narcotics Investigations. The funding we are asking for is to be used to purchase audio, video, and surveillance equipment which is extremely important to make strong Criminal Cases that can be prosecuted through the 14th Circuit Solicitor's Office.

"Working together to make Jasper County a better and safer place to live."

AGENDA ITEM:

FY 2021-2022

Budget Workshop

Jasper County Auditor

Monica Wilson

NOTE:

**(No information was received
for the workshop packet)**

AGENDA ITEM:

VII

Approval of the Minutes



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

VIRTUAL MEETING

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

April 5, 2021
MINUTES

FY 2021-2022 Budget Workshop:

- 1. *Duchette Polite-Hylton – First Steps***
- 2. *Nancy Morgan – Helping Hands***
- 3. *Lyn Boyles – Jasper County Soil and Water Conservation District***

Ms. Duchette Polite-Hylton of First Steps

The budget workshop began with Ms. Duchette Polite-Hylton of First Steps. She discussed the different areas of work that First Steps entailed. She discussed First Steps and how the programs benefited the citizens of Jasper County.

She noted that their budget requests for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 were as follows:

Family Literacy - Dolly Parton Imagination Library budget request \$12,000

Family Strengthening / Parent Education – Parents as Teachers budget request \$5,000

School Transition – Countdown to Kindergarten budget request \$3,000

The 2021 Adopted Budget in this area was \$15,000 and this year's request was for \$20,000.

Lyn Boyles – Jasper County Soil and Water Conservation District

The next budget request was Ms. Lyn Boyles of Jasper County Soil and Water Conservation District. She discussed the different areas that the Soil and Water Conservation District and Blue Heron Nature Center were committed to helping. She provided information on the Blue Heron Nature Center. She noted that they operate through funding of \$15,000 from the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources and the Jasper County funding of \$7,000 per year. She noted that they were requesting \$10,000 to continue operating the Blue Heron Nature Center and continuing their programs for environmental science, litter, recycling and land management.

She noted that their budget requests for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 were as follows:

The 2021 Adopted Budget in this area was \$7,000 and this year's request was for \$10,000.

Nancy Morgan – Helping Hands

The next budget request was Ms. Nancy Morgan of Helping Hands. She discussed the services provided by Helping Hands and overviewed the way they assisted the community.

She noted that their budget requests for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 were as follows:

The 2021 Adopted Budget in this area was \$1,000 and this year's request was for \$3,000.

Chairwoman Clark called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

Wanda Simmons, Clerk to Council read the report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Officials Present: Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark, Vice Chairman Dr. Curtis Brantley, Councilman L. Martin Sauls, Councilman Pastor Alvin Adkins and Councilman John Kemp.

Staff Present: County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda H. Simmons, County Attorney David Tedder, Administrative Services Director Kimberly Burgess, Emergency Services Director Chief Russell Wells, Danny Lucas of Development Services for Jasper County and Acting Airport Manager, Lisa Wagner Director of Planning and Building, and Jonathan Dunham.

Emergency Ordinance:

David Tedder – 1st and final reading to adopt Emergency Ordinance No. [2021-10](#) to provide for the Extension and Incorporation by Reference of the Provisions of Prior Emergency Ordinances, Address the Phased-in-Opening of County Facilities and Modifications to the County Declaration of a Local Emergency, and Matters Related Thereto, Including A Resolution Affirming Resolutions Regarding Safety Practices.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Chairwoman Clark read the information below for the executive session and asked for a motion to go into executive session.

Motion to go into executive session: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Executive Session

SECTION 30-4-70. Meetings which may be closed; procedure; circumvention of chapter; disruption of meeting; executive sessions of General Assembly.

(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 a 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 – Sections 30-4-70(a)(2) – Sheriff's Dept. K-9 Matters; Exit 3; East Argent MID/Municipal Tax Collections; Potential Purchase of a Property Identified as Project Fence; Ridgeland – Claude Dean Airport**

- (5) Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by a public body -- Section 30-4-70(a)(5) – Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT); Sherwood Tract; Project Cooler

ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTER ON WHICH DISCUSSION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED MAY HAVE DISCUSSION SUSPENDED FOR PURPOSES OF BEGINNING THE OPEN SESSION AT ITS SCHEDULED TIME, AND COUNCIL MAY RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION DISCUSSION AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

Return to Open Session:

Motion to return to open session: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Kemp and the Invocation was given by Councilman Dr. Brantley.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes March 1, 2021:

Motion to approve the minutes of March 1, 2021: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Proclamations and Presentations:

Proclamation: Chairwoman Clark – Proclamation to proclaim the month of April 2021 for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Chairwoman Clark asked Clerk to Council Wanda Simmons to read the proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2021 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Motion to approve the Proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2021 as Sexual Assault

Awareness Month: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous
The motion passed.

Presentation: **Johnny Davis** – Presentation on a Proposed BMX (Bicycle Motocross) Project for Sgt. Jasper Park.

Mr. Johnny Davis introduced Mr. Ryan Stefonick in order to review the video presentation on the proposed BMX (Bicycle Motocross) Project for Sgt. Jasper Park and explained his vision for Council. Mr. Stefonick discussed the masterplan of the park and the non-traditional ideas that had been considered for the park such as the BMX Park. Please see the attached link for Sgt. BMX Presentation, Hardeeville South Carolina on YouTube as proved by Mr. Stefonick. This link includes his voiceover as well as a personalized video from a professional BMX athlete. The link is provided here for public viewing, rather than as an attachment to the minutes: <https://youtu.be/5ofr8UDaUmM>. For further information regarding this item or any other area of the minutes please see the video located on the YouTube page for Jasper County at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA.

Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 any citizen of the County may sign to speak before the Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. - There were no public comments.

Resolutions:

A: David Tedder – Resolution No. 2021-09 to approve April 2021 as Fair Housing Month for Jasper County.

Mr. Tedder reviewed this resolution for the Council.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

B: Andrew Fulghum – Resolution No. 2021-10 to approve the updated 2021 Equal Employment Opportunity Policy (EEOP).

Mr. Tedder reviewed this resolution for the Council.

Motion to approve: Councilman Kemp

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Ordinances:

A. Lisa Wagner – **3rd reading** of Ordinance No. 2021-09 to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer two properties bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 063-32-05-028

and 063-32-04-031 from the Residential Zone to the General Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

Ms. Wagner said the subject properties consist of 4.60 acres and 4.10 acres located at 1280 Grahamville Road and 8747 Grahamville Road. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have both properties designated as General Commercial (GC). The property is currently zoned Residential. A commercial structure is located on 1280 Grahamville Road and a manufactured home and two stick-built houses are located on 8747 Grahamville Road.

She noted that according to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as "Urban Transition," which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely surrounded by the municipality. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation. The adjacent parcels are zoned Residential and is adjacent to the Town of Ridgeland. She mentioned that the adjacent land uses are residential, and vacant property with commercial nearby in the Town of Ridgeland.

She noted the subject property is accessed by Grahamville Road, which is a two-lane state maintained highway, classified as a collector road. Ms. Wagner said the Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to have the property designated as General Commercial.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

B. Lisa Wagner – Consideration of a 1st reading of an ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 062-00-06-019 from the Residential Zone to the Community Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

Ms. Wagner addressed this request. She said the subject property consists of 5 acres and is located at 2144 Grays Highway. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as Community Commercial (CC). The property is currently zoned Residential. A house and an accessory structure are located on the subject property. The applicant is interested in establishing an animal rescue mission.

She noted that according to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as "Urban Transition," which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely surrounded by the municipality. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation. The adjacent parcels are zoned Rural Preservation and is adjacent to the Town of Ridgeland with Residential Zoning nearby. She said the adjacent land uses are institutional, commercial, and vacant property.

Ms. Wagner noted that the subject property is accessed by Grays Highway, which is a two-lane state maintained highway, classified as a minor arterial road. She noted that the Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to have the property designated as Community Commercial.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Dr. Brantley

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

C. **David Tedder** – Public hearing and consideration of a **2nd reading** of Ordinance No. [2021-08](#) to approve the transfer to the Town of Ridgeland by deed a road right of way generally described as a portion of the road known as Volunteer Park Road lying within the Town of Ridgeland, and to authorize the Jasper County Administrator to execute such deed and other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effect the transfer.

Mr. Tedder noted there were no public comments received on this item and presented this item for consideration.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Discussion: This item was opened for discussion. Councilman Kemp discussed the fact that he did not feel this was a county road and asked why this was only considered for a portion of the road. Mr. Tedder noted a formal survey was being performed, but it had not been received back yet. Mr. Tedder noted that he could not answer specifics about the road without the survey. Mr. Fulghum noted that if Council wished to postpone this item since they did not have the survey at this time then this could be done.

Motion to postpone: Councilman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

D. **David Tedder** – Public hearing and **2nd reading** of Ordinance No. [2021-07](#) required for the reassessment to delay the countywide reassessment for one year. (1st reading was 02.16.21)

Mr. Tedder noted that the first reading had been held on February 16, 2021 and had been approved. He said no comments had been received for the public hearing. Mr. Tedder provided an overview of the ordinance for the Council noting that this request had been made by the Assessors Office.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Chairwoman Clark

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

E. Andrew Fulghum – Consideration of a 1st reading of an Ordinance of Jasper County Council to authorize a License Agreement with Jasper County Radio Control, Chapter No. 5096 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics Inc.

Mr. Fulghum reviewed this ordinance and discussed the license agreement with the Jasper County Radio Control, Chapter No. 5096 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics with Council. He further overviewed this ordinance and its information.

Motion to approve: Councilman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

New Business:

A. Kimberly Burgess – Request to upgrade current payroll processing software with ADP.

Ms. Burgess was present to address this request. She explained the reasoning behind the request from Human Resources / Payroll Department for the upgrade necessary to the current ADP Payroll Processing Software. She discussed how the different shifts in the Sheriff's Department and in Emergency Services did not work with the current program.

Motion to approve the request to upgrade of the current system and allow the administrator to execute all required documents to implement the upgrade: Councilman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Kemp

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Old Business: There was no old business for this agenda.

Council Members Comments:

Councilman Kemp:

Councilman Kemp said he had done a tour of Jasper County Fire and Rescue and met with Chief Wells and Mr. Lucas today. He said he learned a lot and thought we needed to be more informative to the people. He discussed that he would like to have a time limit on when the e-packets were received. He said he felt Council needed more time with their packets. Chairwoman Clark discussed the fact that all information was provided to the Clerk to Council and she had to wait on that information. After some discussion, it was decided that agenda e-packets would be received by Council no later than on Thursday at 12pm prior to the meeting.

Councilman Dr. Brantley: Passed on his comments this week.

Councilman Adkins:

Councilman Adkins stated that he was praying for everyone and thanked all of the employees for all that they do.

Councilman Sauls:

Councilman Sauls said he would like to keep the Mixson family in their prayers and that Mr. Brian Mixson he had been a member of the Jasper County Fire and Rescue for a number of years. He said also that on Wednesday they had the State of the County at the new Ridgeland Community Center. He noted that registration was at 11AM and that it begins at 12PM. He said they would be having both Mayors and Chairwoman Clark as the speakers with the Lt. Governor as the guest speaker. He noted that on Thursday, May 13th is the Jasper on the Move Event with a couple of award, so asked everyone to mark their calendars. He noted there was a litter pickup this Friday at Cartersville Rd. that Ms. Boyles was in charge of. He said there were some updates on the prospects of Economic Development in the County and thanked SouthernCarolina Alliance for all they have done.

Chairwoman Clark:

Chairwoman Clark noted that there was a lot going on in the county. She encouraged everyone to be safe when going out and about. She encouraged people to pray for one another and live life to the fullest but safely.

Administrator's Report:

Mr. Fulghum said he had provided his Administrators Report to Council. He noted that Chief Wells would be giving the update on COVID19. In regard to COVID19 regulations, the County had adopted another Emergency Ordinance tonight. He noted that due to the Governor's update that County Buildings that serviced State Functions and State Employees, such as Social Services and the Health Departments had to be reopened and we are complying with that. He noted that the County Buildings had been reopened with limited public contact as much as possible. He noted that the Clerk to Court was resumed conducting Jury Trials and had put their own protocols into place. The Detention Center was functioning normally with its own protocols. Recycling centers are open regular hours. He noted staff had been discussing the public use and customer service of the building and the safety of employees and customers. He noted staff available to assist customers and a receptionist was in place to make this easier for customers. He said the COVID19 numbers were being watched and considered in the relation to safety for citizens and employees. Councilman Dr. Brantley asked about the plan for the Platt Library. Mr. Fulghum said it was being reviewed for renovation.

Chief Wells was present and provided the COVID19 statistics report. He overviewed the report and reviewed the positivity rate of the State of South Carolina had a positivity rate of 4.3% and of Jasper County had a positivity rate of 3.3%. He said they had transitioned to Phase 2 in the State of South Carolina. He said we were seeing a downward trend, and he continued to urge the citizens to protect themselves. He also noted that testing sites and locations. This report is attached as Attachment A.

Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II:
There was no reason to return to executive session for this meeting.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Wanda H. Simmons
Clerk to Council

Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman

AGENDA ITEM:

VIII

Presentations and Proclamations:

NONE

AGENDA ITEM:

X

Resolutions:

NONE

AGENDA ITEM:

XI-A

Ordinance item A



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Jasper County Council

Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Project:	Zoning Map Amendment – Community Commercial
Applicant:	Dwayne Lee
Tax Map Number:	028-00-02-127
Submitted For:	3 rd Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission Recommends Approval

Description: The subject property consists of 1.02 acres and is located at 1655 Becks Ferry Road. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as Community Commercial (CC). The property is currently zoned Residential. A commercial structure is located on the property. The applicant is interested in establishing an event space, which is not allowed in Residential; however, the proposed use is allowed in the Community Commercial Zoning District.

Analysis: The Zoning Map Amendment application and request is reviewed by considering the following factors:

- **Comprehensive Plan:** According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Rural Conservation,” which seeks to protect and promote the character of Jasper County that largely exists today outside of the municipalities. Most development, particularly commercial development, should be guided to the hamlets.
- **Adjacent Zoning:** The adjacent parcels are zoned Residential and Rural Preservation.
- **Adjacent Land Use:** Adjacent land uses are residential, agricultural, and vacant property, with a church nearby.
- **Traffic and Access:** The subject property is accessed by Becks Ferry Road, which is a two-lane state maintained highway, classified as a limited local road.

Recommendation: Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to have the property designated as Community Commercial.

Attachments:

1. Application by the applicant
2. Ordinance
3. Aerial map of property and surrounding area
4. Aerial map with zoning layer

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE: 2021-13

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

To amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 028-00-02-127 from the Residential Zone to the Community Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

WHEREAS, the owner of the parcel consisting of approximately 1.02 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 028-00-02-127 located at 1655 Becks Ferry Road, has requested rezoning of the parcel on the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County from the Residential Zone to the Community Commercial Zone and the property owner submitted that request to the Jasper County Planning Commission and County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Planning Commission has not concurred with the recommendations of the staff report as reflected in this Ordinance and recommends approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Jasper County Council for determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council in council duly convened and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council finds that in accordance with the staff report and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the proposed zoning is consistent with the continued pattern of growth in the vicinity and is in harmony with the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan. Good cause having been shown, approximately 1.02 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map

Number 028-00-02-127, located at 1655 Becks Ferry Road, depicted on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map in the Residential Zone shall be transferred to the Community Commercial Zone.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

Ms. Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: # 2021-13

First Reading: May 3, 2021
Second Reading: May 17, 2021
Public Hearing: May 17, 2021
Adopted: June 7, 2021

Considered by the Jasper County Planning Commission at it's meeting on
April 13, 2021 and recommended for approval.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date



Jasper County Planning and Building Services

358 Third Avenue • Post Office Box 1659
Ridgeland, South Carolina 29936
Phone (843) 717-3650 Fax (843) 726-7107

Zoning Map Amendment Application

Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant:	Dwayne M. Lee
Address:	9110 Purrysburg Road Hardeeville SC 29927
Telephone/Fax:	843-384-1180
Email:	Tim.buck5369@gmail.com
Property Address or Physical Location:	1655 Becks Fern/ Road Hardeeville SC 29927
Tax Map Number(s):	028-00-02-127
Gross Acreage:	1.00
Current Zoning:	Residential
Proposed Zoning:	Community Commercial
Administrative Fee: (\$250 per lot) ?	
Date Mailed or Hand Delivered:	2-23-21
Reason for Request: (attach narrative if necessary)	Existing building was used as a Night Club in the Past. Just was informed the area is zoned as residential ONLY. Requesting needed change to operate event space (commercial.)

Dwayne M. Lee

2-23-21

Signature of Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant
(Proof of owner-authorization required)

Date

Internal Use Only

Date Received:	2-26-2021
Amount Received:	\$250.00
Staff Member:	<i>Steve Wagner</i>

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

TO ALL PERSONS, be it known, that I, ELIZABETH LEE, DOB 4/19/1934 currently residing at 8409 Purrysburg Rd, Hardeeville, SC 29927. do hereby grant a durable power of attorney to Dwayne M. Lee Sr, DOB 11/19/1964 mailing address 9110 Purrysburg Road, Hardeeville, SC 29927 as my attorney-in-fact.

My attorney-in-fact shall have full powers and authority to do and undertake all acts on my behalf that I could do personally including but not limited to the right to sell, deed, buy, trade, lease, mortgage, assign, rent, or dispose of any of, my future real or personal property; the right to execute, accept, undertake, and perform all contracts in my name; the right to deposit, endorse, or withdraw funds to or from any of my bank accounts, depositories or safe deposit box; the right to borrow, lend, invest or reinvest funds on any terms; the right to initiate, defend, commence or settle legal actions on my behalf; the right to vote(In person or proxy) any shares or beneficial interest in any entity; and the right to retain any accountant, attorney, physician or other advisor deemed necessary to protect my interests generally or relative to any foregoing unlimited power. Also my Attorney-in-fact will make health care decisions, act as my health care agent and confer upon this person my health care proxy.

My attorney-in-fact hereby accepts this appointment subject to its terms and agrees to act and perform in said fiduciary capacity consistent with my best interests as in my attorney's best discretion deems advisable, and I affirm and ratify all acts undertaken. This power of attorney may be revoked by me at any time, and shall automatically be revoked upon my death, provided any person relying on this power of attorney before or after my death shall have full rights to accept the authority of my attorney-in-fact until in receipt of actual notice of revocation.

SIGNED UNDER SEAL THIS 10 DAY OF June, 2019

Elizabeth Lee

ELIZABETH LEE

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

of the document recorded in the Offices of the Register of Deeds for Jasper County, S.C., on (date) 11-4-2019 in OR Book 1022 Page 801 This document contains 4 pages *Patricia M. Greene* Register of Deeds - Jasper County, SC



201900005547 11/04/2019 AT 02:06 PM OR Book 1022 Page 0801 - 0804 Filed for Record in JASPER COUNTY ROD Power Of Attorney Fee: \$25.00

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF JASPER

On 10 JUNE, 2019, before me, HOWARD MURPHY, personally appeared ELIZABETH LEE, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument in the presence of a witness(s)

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL

Howard Murphy Notary Public Commission Expires 2/15/2027

Notary Public of SC

Affiant _____ Known Produced ID _____

Witness Signature(1) Sacquelyn Fields Date 6-10-19

Witness(1) Print Name Sacquelyn Fields

265 Bigestate Rd Yemassee SC 29945


Witness Signature (2) Daniel Hamilton Date 6-10-19

Witness(2) Print Name Daniel Hamilton

69 Jenkins Rd Yemassee SC 29945

State of South Carolina)
) Probate
County of Jasper)

Before me, HOWARD M. MUYIKA the undersigned witness, affirms that I am not a party to or beneficiary of this transaction and, that I signed the above as a subscribing witness and did this day witness the within named ELIZABETH LEE sign, seal and as his/her act. execute the within document.


(Signature of witness)

Sworn to before me this 23
day of August 2018.
Howard M. Muyika
(signature of notary)
Commission expires 2/15/2027

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AGENDA ITEM:

XI-B

Ordinance item B



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Jasper County Council

Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Project:	Zoning Map Amendment – Mixed Business
Applicant:	5851 Lowcountry, LLC
Tax Map Number:	083-00-03-058
Submitted For:	1 st Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission recommends approval of Mixed Business

Description: The subject property consists of 3 acres and is located at 5851 Lowcountry Drive. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as Mixed Business (MB). The property is currently zoned Community Commercial. Two commercial structures are located on the property. One is approximately 6,000 s.f. and the other one is approximately 15,000 s.f. According to the Assessor's property record, the property is valued at more than \$600,000. The property was developed in 1999 and has been home to Roll-A-Way Doors, Armor Building Solutions. Each of these businesses has used the site for warehousing, manufacturing/fabrication, showrooms, and offices. Since the adoption of the 2007 Jasper County Zoning Ordinance, the businesses have operated as a legal non-conforming use. However, the Mixed Business District would allow these uses.

Analysis: The Zoning Map Amendment application and request is reviewed by considering the following factors:

- **Comprehensive Plan:** According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as "Rural Conservation," which seeks to protect and promote the character of Jasper County that largely exists today outside of the municipalities. Most development, particularly commercial development, should be guided to the hamlets. It should be noted, that the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Exhibit shows the actual current use of this immediate area as commercial.
- **Adjacent Zoning:** The adjacent parcels are zoned Community Commercial and Rural Preservation with Industrial Development and General Commercial nearby.

- ***Adjacent Land Use:*** Adjacent land uses are commercial, industrial, and vacant property that is planned for mixed use development.
- ***Traffic and Access:*** The subject property is accessed by Lowcountry Drive, which is a two-lane state-maintained highway, classified as an arterial road.

Planning Commission Recommendation: From a land use perspective, the Planning Commission recommends approval of the request to have the property designated as Mixed Business.

Attachments:

1. Application by the applicant
2. Ordinance
3. Aerial map of property and surrounding area
4. Aerial map with zoning layer

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE: 2021-_____

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

To amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 083-00-03-058 from the Community Commercial Zone to the Mixed Business Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

WHEREAS, the owner of the parcel consisting of approximately 3 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 083-00-03-058 located at 5851 Lowcountry Drive, has requested rezoning of the parcel on the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County from the Community Commercial Zone to the Mixed Business Zone and the property owner submitted that request to the Jasper County Planning Commission and County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Planning Commission has concurred with the recommendations of the staff report as reflected in this Ordinance and recommends approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Jasper County Council for determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council in council duly convened and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council finds that in accordance with the staff report and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the proposed zoning is consistent with the continued pattern of growth in the vicinity and is in harmony with the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan. Good cause having been shown, approximately 3 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number

083-00-03-058, located at 5851 Lowcountry Drive, depicted on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map in the Community Commercial Zone shall be transferred to the Mixed Business Zone.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

Ms. Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: # 2021-__

First Reading: June 7, 2021

Second Reading: _____

Public Hearing: _____

Adopted: _____

Considered by the Jasper County Planning Commission at it's meeting on
May 11, 2021 and recommended for approval.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date



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Zoning Map Amendment Application

Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant:	5851 Lowcountry LLC
Address:	11 Millbrook Circle Bluffton, SC 29909
Telephone/Fax:	843-717-2722
Email:	jay@horvat.com
Property Address or Physical Location:	5851 Lowcountry Drive Ridgeland SC 29956
Tax Map Number(s):	083-00-03-058
Gross Acreage:	3 acres
Current Zoning:	CC
Proposed Zoning:	MB
Administrative Fee: (\$250 per lot)	
Date Mailed or Hand Delivered:	4/22/21
Reason for Request: (attach narrative if necessary)	Building has been used for Manufacturing/ Distribution for 10+ years. Potential Buyers are looking to bring jobs to Jasper County!

Signature of Owner or Owner-Authorized Applicant
(Proof of owner-authorization required)

4/22/21
Date

Internal Use Only

Date Received:	
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Staff Member:	





AGENDA ITEM:

XI-C

Ordinance item C



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Jasper County Council Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Project:	Zoning Map Amendment – General Commercial
Applicant:	Jasper County – Staff Initiated
Tax Map Number:	067-00-01-002
Submitted For:	1 st Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission recommends approval of General Commercial

Description: The subject property consists of 7.24 acres and is located along Argent Boulevard. The subject property is owned by LRTA and is undeveloped. The property is inappropriately zoned Planned Development District, although it is not located within a PDD. This is a staff-initiated effort to have the property appropriately zoned.

Analysis: The Zoning Map Amendment application and request is reviewed by considering the following factors:

- **Comprehensive Plan:** According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Commercial Centers,” which are commercial nodes that are already developing and have a suburban rather than rural character.
- **Adjacent Zoning:** The adjacent parcels are zoned General Commercial and Community Commercial and the property is adjacent to the City of Hardeeville.
- **Adjacent Land Use:** Adjacent land uses are commercial and vacant property that is planned for mixed use development.
- **Traffic and Access:** The subject property is accessed by Argent Boulevard, which is a two-lane state maintained highway, classified as an arterial road.

Planning Commission Recommendation: From a land use perspective, staff recommends approval to have the property designated as General Commercial.

Attachments:

1. Application by the applicant
2. Ordinance
3. Aerial map of property and surrounding area
4. Aerial map with zoning layer

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE: 2021-_____

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

To amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 067-00-01-002 from the Planned Development District to the General Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

WHEREAS, the staff has recognized a parcel consisting of 7.24 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 067-00-01-002 located along Argent Boulevard, was improperly zoned as Planned Development District on the Official Zoning Map and has recommended to the Jasper County Planning Commission re-zoning of the subject parcel to the General Commercial Zone; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has been notified of the zoning map amendment initiated by staff; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Planning Commission has concurred with the recommendations of the staff report as reflected in this Ordinance and recommends approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Jasper County Council for determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council in council duly convened and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council finds that in accordance with the staff report and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the proposed zoning is consistent with the continued pattern of growth in the vicinity and is in

harmony with the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan. Good cause having been shown, approximately 7.24 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 067-00-01-002, located along Argent Boulevard, depicted on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map in the Planned Development District shall be transferred to the General Commercial Zone.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

Ms. Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: # 2021-__

First Reading: June 7, 2021

Second Reading: _____

Public Hearing: _____

Adopted: _____

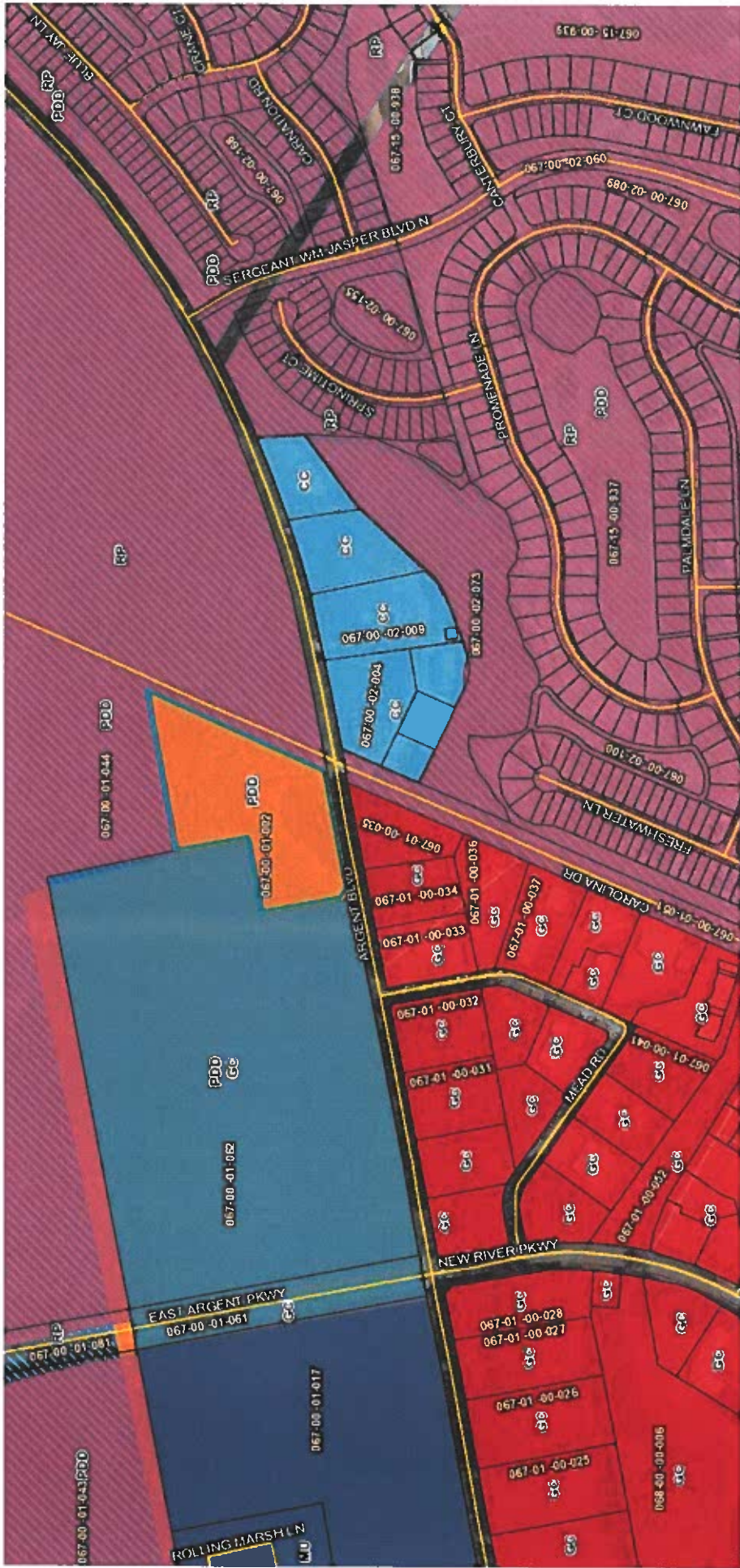
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May 11, 2021 and recommended for approval.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date





AGENDA ITEM:

XI-D

Ordinance item D



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Jasper County Council Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 1, 2021
Project:	Zoning Map Amendment – Residential
Applicant:	Jasper County – Staff Initiated
Tax Map Number:	038-01-00-003
Submitted For:	1 st Reading
Recommendation:	Planning Commission recommends approval of Residential

Description: The subject property consists of .69 acres and is located at 186 Macedonia Road. The property is owned by Maria Hernandez and has a manufactured home located onsite. The property is currently zoned Resource Conservation and is non-conforming because the Resource Conservation Zoning District requires a minimum lot size of 2 acres. This is a staff-initiated effort to have the property appropriately zoned.

Analysis: The Zoning Map Amendment application and request is reviewed by considering the following factors:

- **Comprehensive Plan:** According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Urban Transition,” which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely surrounded by either the City of Hardeeville or the Town of Ridgeland. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation.
- **Adjacent Zoning:** The adjacent parcels are zoned Residential. The City of Hardeeville municipal limits are nearby, but not adjacent to the property.
- **Adjacent Land Use:** Adjacent land uses are residential and vacant property, with a church nearby.

- ***Traffic and Access:*** The subject property is accessed by Macedonia Road, which is a two-lane state maintained highway, classified as a limited local road.

Planning Commission Recommendation: From a land use perspective, staff recommends approval to have the property designated as Residential.

Attachments:

1. Application by the applicant
2. Ordinance
3. Aerial map of property and surrounding area
4. Aerial map with zoning layer

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE: 2021-_____

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

To amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-01-00-003 from the Resource Conservation Zone to the Residential Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

WHEREAS, the staff has recognized a parcel consisting of .69 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-01-00-003 located at 186 Macedonia Road, was improperly zoned as Resource Conservation Zone on the Official Zoning Map and has recommended to the Jasper County Planning Commission re-zoning the subject parcel to the Residential Zone; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has been notified of the zoning map amendment initiated by staff; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Planning Commission has concurred with the recommendations of the staff report as reflected in this Ordinance and recommends approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, this matter is now before the Jasper County Council for determination;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Jasper County Council in council duly convened and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council finds that in accordance with the staff report and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the proposed zoning is consistent with the continued pattern of growth in the vicinity and is in

harmony with the Jasper County Comprehensive Plan. Good cause having been shown, approximately .69 acres bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 038-01-00-003, located at 186 Macedonia Road, depicted on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map in the Resource Conservation Zone shall be transferred to the Residential Zone.

2. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

Ms. Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman

ATTEST:

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

ORDINANCE: # 2021-__

First Reading: June 7, 2021

Second Reading: _____

Public Hearing: _____

Adopted: _____

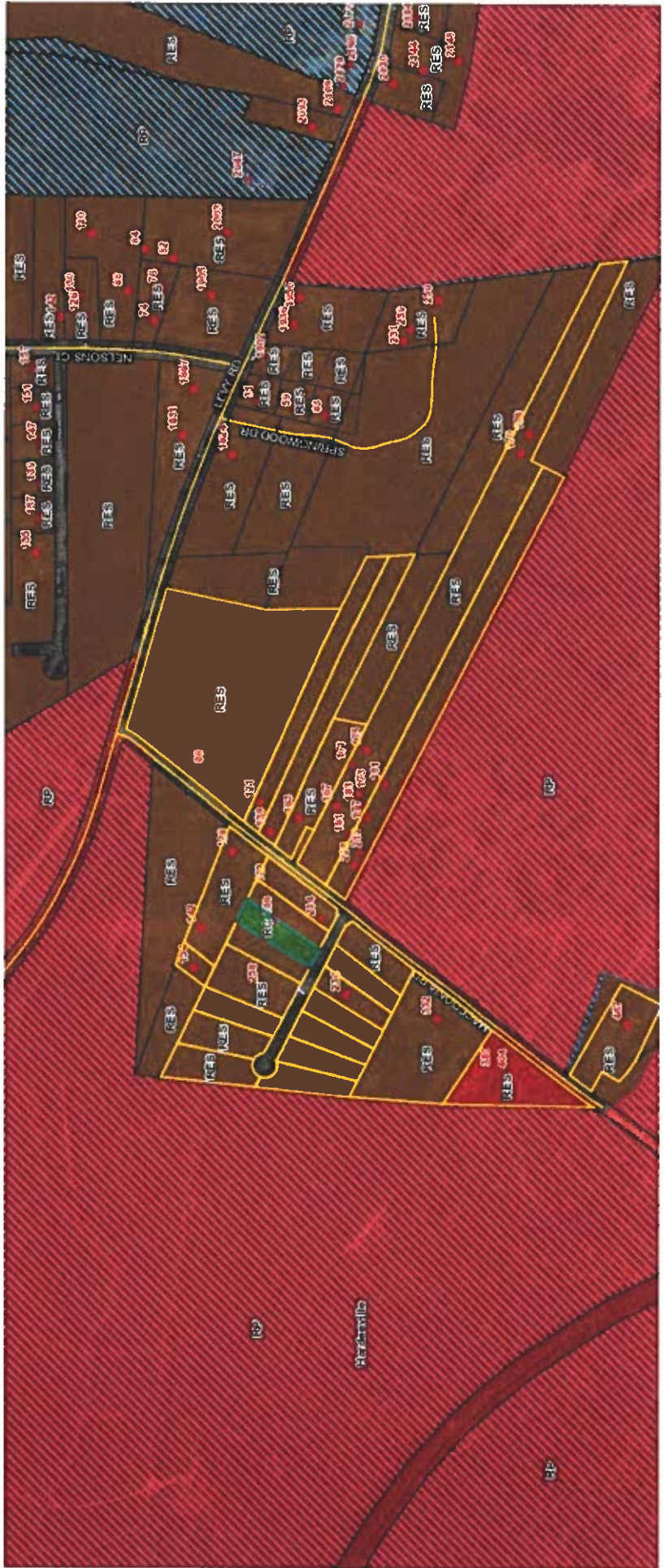
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May 11, 2021 and recommended for approval.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date





AGENDA ITEM:

XI-E

Ordinance item E

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
JASPER COUNTY**

ORDINANCE #2021 - 08

ORDINANCE OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

To approve the Transfer to the Town of Ridgeland by deed a road right of way generally described and known as Volunteer Park Road lying within the Town of Ridgeland, as well as easements across two parcels belonging to Jasper County in Order to Connect with Live Oak Road, and to authorize the Jasper County Administrator to execute such deeds and other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effect the transfer.

WHEREAS, the Jasper County (County) and the Town of Ridgeland (Town) have discussed the transfer of certain real property right of way owned by the County which consists of a road and easement area generally known as Volunteer Park Road, consisting of approximately 1.27 acres to the Town, as well as the Easement Areas connecting Volunteer Park Road with Live Oak Road (S-27-348) to the North (as shown on the below mentioned plat), with the Town undertaking the obligation to maintain such road and easement areas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the general law of the State of South Carolina, and the plenary grant of authority to county governments under the Home Rule Act, a donation from one political subdivision to another is permissible if the transfer satisfies both a public purpose and the donor's corporate purpose; and

WHEREAS, owning and maintaining public roads has been recognized as a proper governmental purpose, and the provision of public roads by municipalities is an authorized purpose under State law; and

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Administrator recommends and Jasper County finds that the transfer by deed of approximately 1.27 acres, more or less, in order to provide for municipal ownership and maintenance of this road for no consideration, as well as granting the easement areas connecting Volunteer Park Road with Live Oak Road, such areas being 0.17 acres (across TMS # 062-22-01-003) and 0.13 acres (across TMS# 062-62-22-007) is fair and equitable, in the best interests of Jasper County, and both satisfies a public purpose and furthers the Town's purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Jasper County Council, in council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

1. Jasper County Council hereby adopts the foregoing premises as its findings regarding the Ordinance; and
2. The Jasper County Administrator is further authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of Jasper County a quit-claim deed and easements, and such other documents as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the transfer of title to the Town of Ridgeland of the right of way property identified as Volunteer Park Road Easement Area 1.27 acres,” as well as the granting of easement areas connecting Volunteer Park Road with Live Oak Road, such areas being 0.17 acres (across TMS # 062-22-01-003) and 0.13 acres (across TMS# 062-62-22-007) as more particularly shown on the attached Exhibit “A”, being a survey of the areas described herein.
3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval of the Council.

Done this _____ day of _____, 2021.

Barbara B. Clark
Chair

ATTEST:

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

A Copy of the referenced Agreement is to be attached hereto prior to adoption and recording.

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David L. Tedder

Date

1st Reading –
2nd reading -
Public Hearing -
3rd reading -

AGENDA ITEM:

XI-F

Ordinance item F

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE #2021-15

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

To amend Chapter 4, *Alcoholic Beverages*, of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, so as to clarify hours of operation, and related matters.

WHEREAS, the Jasper County Code of Ordinances was previously amended by adding a new Chapter 4 pursuant to ordinance 11-14, adopted June 6, 2011, so as to regulate the hours of operation of commercial establishments between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., Monday through Saturday, based upon a City of Charleston Ordinance which had been judicially approved in a South Carolina Case entitled “ Denene, Inc. v. City of Charleston, 359 S.C. 85. 596 S.E. 2d 917 (2004); and

WHEREAS, subsequent to that case, sale of alcohol on Sundays has been authorized pursuant to statutory enactments allowing for such to occur in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the present wording of Section 4-2 of the Jasper County Code of ordinances has led to some confusion and dispute as to the hours of operation as to certain establishments after 2 a.m. on Sunday mornings; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide clarity as to this matter, Jasper County Council desires to remove all doubt as to the hours of operation of establishments serving beer, ale, porter, wine, or alcoholic liquors for on-premise consumption; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council is authorized to enact regulations that provide for the general health and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council is authorized to enact regulations which are in addition to State law regulating a particular subject; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council has determined that it is in the best interests for the general health, welfare, and public safety of the citizens of the County of Jasper that establishments which allow for the on-premises consumption of beer, ale, porter, wine, and/or alcoholic liquors shall be prohibited from operating between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Jasper County Council in council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

Section 1. The Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4, is amended by deleting the present Section 4.1 and 4.2 and substituting the following new Sections 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4:

Section 4.1: Prohibition.

(A) Unless more restrictively regulated or explicitly authorized by State law, commercial establishments which allow for the on-premises consumption of beer, ale, porter, wine, and/or alcoholic liquors shall be prohibited from operating between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M.

(B) The establishments subject to the restriction in the hours of operation set forth in subsection (A) of this Section shall include private or nonprofit clubs, as well as bars, restaurants and night clubs open to the public at large; provided, however, that restaurants whose primary revenue is derived from food operations may provide food service operations during these restricted hours if there is no on-

premises sale or consumption of beer, ale, porter, wine, and/or alcoholic liquors during these hours.

Section 4-3. Grace period for shutting down operations.

As set forth in Section 4-2, there shall be no alcohol sales or consumption at the establishments prohibited from operating between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., and the establishment shall not allow patrons and guests to use the premises, including the exterior of the building or parking lot, for the consumption of alcohol or otherwise continue to congregate after closing. "Operating" does not prohibit the establishment's owner's agents, and employees from pursuing clean-up and other closing operations of the establishment after 2:00 a.m. or before 6:00 a.m., so long as the patrons and guests of the establishment have exited the building. A period of time, not to exceed 30 minutes, shall be allowed for the operators of the establishment to clear the building and premises of patrons and guests. Patrons and guests shall not congregate or remain on the premises beyond this grace period.

Section 4-4. Penalties/Warning.

A. Violations of the provisions of this Chapter 4 shall subject the offender to the penalties as provided in Section 1-8 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances. Persons in control of the establishment, whether owners, controlling officers, lessees, managers, or employees shall be liable for violation of this Ordinance, and individually subject to the penalty provisions of Section 1-8. Each such person, firm, corporation or agent shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance is committed or continued. Patrons and guests who violate this ordinance's provisions concerning leaving the

premises shall be subject to the penalty provisions of Section 1-8; provided, however, should the patron or guest have made arrangements for transportation off the premises and such transportation not yet arrived as of the expiration of the grace period provided in Section 4-3 of this ordinance, such patron or guest shall be given a warning instead of a violation upon providing some proof of the arrangement for transportation.

(B) The County Attorney shall be authorized to pursue any additional or alternative civil remedies as available and appropriate to ensure timely and ongoing compliance with this Ordinance, as well as seeking administrative or judicial relief to have such activities to be deemed a public nuisance. In addition, any business establishment found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be subject to having its business license registration suspended or revoked in accordance with procedures otherwise applicable to such proceedings, including appellate proceedings under the business license ordinance.

Section 2. Severability.

If any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or phrase of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalid section, clause, paragraph, sentence, phrase or application is hereby declared to be severable; and any such invalid or unconstitutional section, clause, paragraph, sentence, phrase or application shall in no way affect the remainder of this ordinance; and it is hereby declared to be the intention of the County Council that the remainder of this ordinance would have been passed notwithstanding the invalidity or unconstitutionality of any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or phrase thereof.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval of third reading by Council.

ORDINANCE CONTINUES ON FOLLOWING PAGE

ATTEST:

Barbara B. Clark
Chair

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

First Reading: May 3, 2021

Second Reading: June 7, 2021

Public Hearing: _____

Adopted: _____

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER

ORDINANCE #~~2020~~2021-__

AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL

To amend Chapter 4, *Alcoholic Beverages*, of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances, so as to clarify hours of operation, and related matters.

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WHEREAS, the Jasper County Code of Ordinances was previously amended by adding a new Chapter 4 pursuant to ordinance 11-14, adopted June 6, 2011, so as to regulate the hours of operation of commercial establishments between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., Monday through Saturday, based upon a City of Charleston Ordinance which had been judicially approved in a South Carolina Case entitled "Denene, Inc. v. City of Charleston, 359 S.C. 85. 596 S.E. 2d 917 (2004); and

WHEREAS, subsequent to that case, sale of alcohol on Sundays has been authorized pursuant to statutory enactments allowing for such to occur in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the present wording of Section 4-2 of the Jasper County Code of ordinances has led to some confusion and dispute as to the hours of operation as to certain establishments after 2 a.m. on Sunday mornings; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide clarity as to this matter, Jasper County Council desires to remove all doubt as to the hours of operation of establishments serving beer, ale, porter, wine, or alcoholic liquors for on-premise consumption; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council is authorized to enact regulations that provide for the general health and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council is authorized to enact regulations which are in addition to State law regulating a particular subject; and

WHEREAS, Jasper County Council has determined that it is in the best interests for the general health, welfare, and public safety of the citizens of the County of Jasper that establishments which allow for the on-premises consumption of beer, ale, porter, wine, and/or alcoholic liquors shall be prohibited from operating between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Jasper County Council in council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

Section 1. The Jasper County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 4, is amended by deleting the present Section 4.1 and 4.2 and substituting the following new Sections 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4:

Section 4.1: Prohibition.

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(B) The establishments subject to the restriction in the hours of operation set forth in subsection (A) of this Section shall include private or nonprofit clubs, as well as bars, restaurants and night clubs open to the public at large; provided, however, that restaurants whose primary revenue is derived from food operations may provide food service operations during these restricted hours if there is no on-

premises sale or consumption of beer, ale, porter, wine, and/or alcoholic liquors during these hours.

Section 4-3. Grace period for shutting down operations.

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As set forth in Section 4-2: ~~Penalties:~~

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Any person, firm, corporation or agent who shall violate the provisions of this Ordinance, there shall be guilty of a misdemeanor no alcohol sales or consumption at the establishments prohibited from operating between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., and the establishment shall not allow patrons and guests to use the premises, including the exterior of the building or parking lot, for the consumption of alcohol or otherwise continue to congregate after closing. "Operating" does not prohibit the establishment's owner's agents, and employees from pursuing clean-up and other closing operations of the establishment after 2:00 a.m. or before 6:00 a.m., so long as the patrons and guests of the establishment have exited the building. A period of time, not to exceed 30 minutes, shall be punished within the jurisdictional limits of magistrate's court. allowed for the operators of the establishment to clear the building and premises of patrons and guests. Patrons and guests shall not congregate or remain on the premises beyond this grace period.

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Each such person, firm, corporation or agent shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day ~~or portion thereof~~ during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance is committed or continued. ~~Patrons and guests who violate this ordinance's provisions concerning leaving the premises shall be subject to the penalty provisions of Section 1-8; provided, however, should the patron or guest have made arrangements for transportation off the premises and such transportation not yet arrived as of the expiration of the grace period provided in Section 4-3 of this ordinance, such patron or guest shall be given a warning instead of a violation upon providing some proof of the arrangement for transportation.~~

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~~(A)~~ (B) The County Attorney shall be authorized to pursue any additional or alternative civil remedies as available and appropriate to ensure timely and ongoing compliance with ~~Section 1 (A)~~ of this Ordinance, as well as seeking administrative or judicial relief to have such activities to be deemed a public nuisance. In addition, any business establishment found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be subject to having its business license registration suspended or revoked in accordance with procedures otherwise applicable to such proceedings, including appellate proceedings under the business license ordinance.

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Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval of third reading by Council.

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Chair

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council
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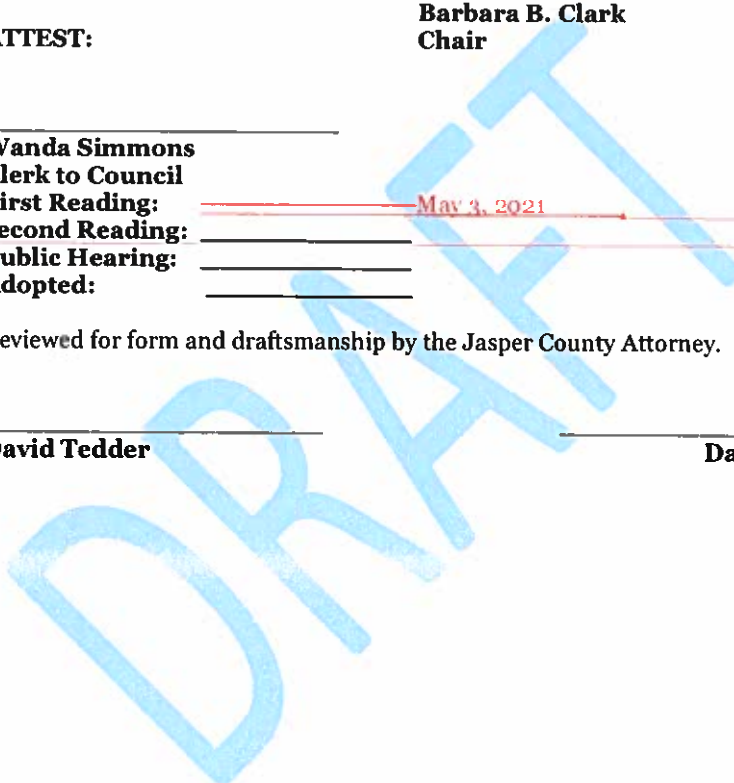
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David Tedder

Date



AGENDA ITEM:

XI-G

Ordinance item G

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER**

ORDINANCE #2021-16

**AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS TO THE JASPER COUNTY CODE OF
ORDINANCES TO AUTHORIZE MEETINGS TO BE HELD BY TELEPHONIC OR
OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS, AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Jasper County, South Carolina (the “County”) is a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina (the “State”), and as such possesses all general powers granted by the Constitution and statutes of the State to such public entities; and

WHEREAS, , the Freedom of Information Act, which is codified at Title 30, Chapter 4 of the S.C. Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “S.C. Code”), in Section 30-4-20(e) of the S.C. Code provides that “ ‘Quorum’ unless otherwise defined by applicable law means a simple majority of the constituent membership of a public body;” and

WHEREAS the S.C. Code in Section 30-4-20(d) defines a meeting as “convening a quorum of the constituent membership of the public body, whether corporal or by means of electronic equipment, to discuss or act upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power” [emphasis added]; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the provisions of the S.C. Code, Section 2-35 et. seq. of Jasper County’s Code of Ordinances (the “Code of Ordinances”) defines and describes the requirements for a “quorum” of the County Council of Jasper County, the governing body thereof (the “Town Council”) and further defines and describes the rules of procedure for meetings; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and a State Declaration of Emergency, County Council declared a local state of emergency, in Resolution/Proclamation 2020-19 adopted on March 16, 2020, and subsequently enacted an emergency ordinance on April 6, 2020, provisions of which temporarily suspended certain procedural rules of the County Council in response to social-distancing guidelines and executive orders, and allowing for electronic and telephonic meetings, whose provisions have been renewed from time to time by adoption of subsequent Emergency Ordinances (collectively, the “Emergency Ordinances”); and

WHEREAS, such telephonic and other electronic meetings have proven successful and effective under the Emergency Ordinances and in light of the current public safety considerations associated with 2019 novel coronavirus, and the potential for future public safety considerations, including those attendant to the adverse weather events that seasonally affect coastal cities, the County Council finds that great benefit may be realized from authorizing meeting by telephonic or other electronic means whenever necessary and convenient for carrying out the business of the County, to include County Council-appointed boards, commissions and committees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL, in accordance with the foregoing, the Council hereby amends the Code of Ordinances for Jasper County as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Jasper County hereby amends Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances for Jasper County, South Carolina, by amending and adding text to allow for the conduct of meetings of the County Council and its Council-appointed boards, commissions and committees electronically and/or telephonically, as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and fully incorporated by reference.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval by Council.

ATTEST:

Barbara B. Clark
Chair

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to Council

First Reading: May 3, 2021

Second Reading: June 7, 2021

Public Hearing: June 7, 2021

Adopted: _____

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date

Sec. 2-35. - Applicability; deviation from rules.

These rules shall apply to all meetings of county council, including committee meetings, and to all boards and commissions for which the county council appoints a majority of the members. As used in these rules, the term "meeting" means the convening of a quorum of the membership of county council, or such other board or commission, to discuss or act upon a matter over which county council or such other board or commission has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory power; the term "quorum" means a simple majority of the membership of the county council, or committee of county council, or such other board or commission. Where applicable, the term "county council" means not only the county council, but also, any other board or commission in the county governed by these rules.

These rules were adopted as guidelines to assist county council and county boards and commissions in conducting orderly and productive meetings. Any deviation from or waiver of these rules shall not affect or void any action taken by county council, or a county board or commission. Furthermore, such deviation or waiver does not convey any right or cause of action to third parties not otherwise imposed by law.

Rules stated in a South Carolina Statute and rules governing quorum and vote requirements cannot be suspended. Rules relating to priority of business or to procedure may be suspended by a majority vote of the members of council. A motion to suspend the rules may not be amended nor may it have any subsidiary motions applied to it. A motion to suspend shall specify which rule or rules are to be suspended.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 2, 3-17-03; Ord. No. 08-17, § 3, 6-2-08)

Sec. 2-36. - Model rules of parliamentary procedure for South Carolina counties and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised to govern other cases.

County council will refer to the model rules, and the comments sections contained therein, as the primary resource in determining the intent and meaning of these rules. In all cases not covered by these rules, county council shall be governed by such rules as are set out in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. Provided, however, that state and federal law shall take precedence over these rules in all cases. Whenever possible, these rules should be interpreted to conform to state and federal

law; if an irreconcilable difference occurs, only the portion of the rule or rules directly in conflict with state or federal law is to be overruled, the remaining portions surviving.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 3, 3-17-03)

Sec. 2-37. - Meetings, notice of meetings, quorums, weapons prohibited and public participation.

(a) County council shall meet at least once monthly, but may meet more frequently provided that public notice, as described herein, is provided. The council shall ordinarily hold its regular meetings for the transaction of official business on the first and third Mondays of each month at such a time and place as the chairman may specify. Special meetings may be called by the chair or by the majority of county council, provided that the notice requirements are met. Meetings may be held physically or electronically, at the discretion of the Chair or the request of a majority of council. Standards for exclusively electronic meetings are set forth below in Section 2-37 (f). Either the chair or the majority of the council members of the council may cancel or reschedule meetings, or call special meetings, which may be held after 24 hours public notice, which specifies the hour, date, and place of the special, called meeting and its agenda. Written public notice shall be given for all regularly scheduled meetings at the beginning of each calendar year. Notice must include the dates, times and places of the meetings. Public notice of each called, special or rescheduled meeting must be posted on a bulletin board in a publically accessible place at the Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Building or meeting place for county council and on the public website maintained by the council, if any, at least 24 hours prior to such meeting. The notice must include the agenda and the date, time and place of the meeting, The 24-hour requirement does not apply for emergency meetings. Additions to the agenda, once posted, must be made in accordance with the provisions of §30-4-80 of the code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976 (as amended). All persons, organizations, and news media requesting notification of county council meetings shall be notified of the times and places, and given copies of the agenda for all meetings, whether scheduled, rescheduled or called. Efforts made to comply with this notice requirement shall be noted in the minutes.

(b) All members of council shall be furnished copies of the agenda and all necessary background information related to an agenda item request requiring council action in their agenda packets for the upcoming meetings, including motions to reconsider. This pre-meeting package shall include complete copies of each proposal to be considered; provided, however, copies of ordinances to be read by title only

on first reading may be omitted from pre-meeting packet for the meeting at which they are to be offered on first meeting. Offering ordinances to be read on first reading by title only is discouraged by Jasper County Council. The text of copies of proposed ordinances for the second and third reading shall appear as amended at any previous meeting.

(c) A quorum for the transaction of official business by county council at a regular or special meeting shall consist of a majority of members.

(d) Weapons shall not be allowed in council chambers, except in the possession of law enforcement officers in and about the course of their official duties.

(e) Any citizen of the county may sign an agenda list maintained by the clerk to council prior to each regular meeting in order to speak with council. Citizens wishing to speak must indicate the subject and purpose for which they seek to address council and include their name, address and phone number. Presentations will be limited to three minutes. The chairman may permit additional time for speakers. No speaker may use language that is obscene, disruptive, scurrilous, or recklessly defamatory. Following the presentation, no person other than a member of council will be recognized to question the speaker or make any statement unless a member of council requests comment from a member of staff for clarification. Additional provisions for public comment at electronic meetings are found in Section 27 (g).

f) Standards for Electronic Meetings. The County Council and boards, committees and agencies are hereby authorized to conduct public meetings exclusively in electronic form, provided the medium for such meeting, whether telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these, and the conduct of the electronic meeting, allows for the following standards and practices to be met:

(i) At the beginning of any electronic meeting, the presiding officer shall poll the members to confirm attendance, and any member attending by way of electronic media shall be considered present for the purposes of constituting a quorum. All other County staff in official attendance shall be announced by name and title.

(ii) Throughout the duration of the electronic meeting, all members of body, as well as any officials or staff required to speak at such meeting, must have the capability to be heard at all times by any other member of the County Council and by the general public.

(iii) Any vote of the body must be conducted by voice vote of the members, who shall verbally indicate their vote on any matter by stating “yay” or “nay,” as well as by a show of hands. If the vote is not unanimous, each individual member shall be polled by roll call, and he or she shall verbally indicate their vote by stating his or her name along with the vote of “yay” or “nay.” All individual votes shall be recorded by the clerk, secretary, or presiding officer, as appropriate.

(iv) Meetings shall be recorded or minutes kept in the same manner as an in-person meeting as required by the Act.

(v) All members of the body, officials, staff, and presenters should identify themselves and be recognized prior to speaking. Members of the body shall strictly comply with the rules of the body as they relate to procedural matters in order to preserve order and allow for the effectiveness of electronic meetings.

(vi) Electronic executive sessions shall be permitted in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and the County Council or other public body shall properly announce its reason for going into any executive session in conformance with Section 30-4-70 of the Act. Upon the entry into any electronic executive session, meeting minutes need not be kept and the electronic meeting utilized for such executive session may be held by (i) a separate telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these wherein the public shall not be permitted to participate, or (ii) on the initial telephonic, broadcast video, computer-based, or other electronic media, or any combination of these, with the implementation of necessary participation or listening restrictions, provided that in either instance all members of the body must have the capability to be heard at all times.

(g) With respect to any electronic or virtual meeting of council, or physical meetings of council where public access is restricted in whole or in part by virtue of health or other considerations, and subject to the terms of the applicable agenda for such meeting, members of the public may also participate electronically, as follows:

- (1) Public Comments for Electronic Meetings or meetings where access is restricted. Individuals wishing to provide written comments for any public comment period, to include public hearings, may submit written comments to the clerk no later than two hours prior to any

meeting of council in accordance with instructions printed on the meeting agenda. In absence of established procedures for admitting individuals desiring to make public comment into the electronic forum, the Clerk to Council, or other person as designated by the Chair, may read such comments aloud during the applicable public comment period. Council may also utilize a call -in system over a telephone speaker system in the event there is a physical convening of the Council Members in Council Chambers

- (2) Electronic public comment periods and public hearings shall otherwise be conducted in accordance with all other rules and procedures of council. Notices of public hearings shall include instructions regarding the manner in which the public hearing shall be held. Comment time will be limited to the time limitations as contained in Ordinance 08-17.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 4, 3-17-03; Ord. No. 08-17, § 4, 6-2-08)

Sec. 2-38. - Agenda.

Every meeting shall have an agenda. The agenda will be compiled at the direction of the council chair by the clerk to council or such other person as may be designated. The agenda shall be posted, pursuant to section 2-37 and as required by the Freedom of Information Act, at least twenty-four hours prior to meetings. Additionally, a copy of the agenda shall be provided as part of the notice given to any person, organization, or news media requesting notification of county council meetings.

The agenda will designate the time and location of the meeting and the type of meeting to be held: council session, committee meeting, public hearing, public comment, workshop or emergency session; and whether the meeting shall be at a physical location or electronically, and whether there are any restrictions on public presence for health or other reasons.

Prior to distribution to council members of copies of proposed ordinances for which third reading is proposed to be on the agenda, or a proposed resolution, the county attorney shall review the form and draftsmanship of the proposal and insure that it is in proper form and all necessary final exhibits, attachments, and contracts are attached and made part of the proposed ordinance or resolution.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 5, 3-17-03; Ord. No. 08-17, § 6, 6-2-08)

Sec. 2-39. - Public hearings.

Public hearings are the method required by the Home Rule Act for county council to gain input from the public at large. Members of council should refrain from making comments during the public hearing and should neither enter into debate with the public nor with other council members during the public hearing. Public hearings are required before final action is taken to:

- (1) Adopt annual operational and capital budgets;
- (2) Make appropriations, including supplemental appropriations;
- (3) Adopt building, housing, electrical, plumbing, gas and all other regulatory codes;
- (4) Adopt zoning and subdivision regulations;
- (5) Levy taxes; or
- (6) Sell, lease or contract to sell or lease real property owned by the county.

Final action for any of the above matters must be in the form of an ordinance. A minimum of 15 days' notice of the time and place of the hearing must be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the county, prior to conducting a public hearing for any of the above categories of ordinances. Public hearings are also required for the following:

- (7) Adopt building codes;
- (8) Impose ad valorem property taxes upon a fire service area; or
- (9) Provide for the distribution of assets following the abolishment of a special purpose district.

Notice for items (7) and (8) must be provided once a week for three successive weeks in a paper of general circulation in the county, and in the case of item (8), the hearing must not occur less than 16 days following

the first notice. Item (9) requires at least two public hearings with ten days prior notice published in a newspaper of general circulation prior to each meeting.

Following the abolishment of a special purpose district located within the county, two public hearings are required prior to distributing assets and or refunding taxes.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 6, 3-17-03)

Sec. 2-41. - Voting.

The preferred method of voting by county council is by voice vote, although the chair may call for a show of hands or a roll call vote at any time. Any council member may demand a show of hands or a roll call vote. The demand is in order before or immediately after the voice vote has been taken, even though the chair may have announced the results of the voice vote. A council member may not explain his or her vote while voting, but may change his or her vote at anytime prior to the chair's announcing the result.

(1) Passage by majority vote. The term "majority" or "simple majority" means more than half of those present and voting. When a two-thirds majority is required, the term "two-thirds majority" means at least two-thirds of those present and voting. The term "positive majority" means a majority of the members of council, regardless of whether they are present or not.

Except as otherwise provided for in this division, or by pertinent state or federal statute, any ordinance, resolution or motion passes if it receives a majority of the votes cast. State and federal statutes and, in some cases, this division may require passage by more than a simple majority. The following actions are included in those requiring a super-majority:

Two-thirds majority:

- a. Adoption of an emergency ordinance pursuant to § 4-9-130;
- b. Removal of an employee appointed by a county supervisor pursuant to § 4-9-430;

- c. Sale or transfer assets of the county library assets for a non-library purpose pursuant to § 4-9-39;
- d. Defeat of a motion to follow the agenda (sections 2-38 and 2-47);
- e. Passage of motion to suspend the rules (sections 2-36 and 2-49); and
- f. Passage of a motion to call for the question [vote immediately] (sections 2-35 and 2-48).

Positive majority:

- a. Impose or increase a business license tax (§ 6-1-315);
- b. Override the millage rate increase limitation on property taxes (§ 6-1-320(C));
- c. Impose a service or user fee (§ 6-1-330);
- d. Impose a local accommodations tax (§ 6-1-520);
- e. Impose a local hospitality tax (§ 6-1-720); and
- f. Impose a developmental impact fee (§ 6-1-930).

(2) Voting procedure. In the case of debatable motions, the vote can be proposed in one of two ways:

- a. If debate has been completed and no other council member wishes to speak, the chair can call for the vote. If there are no objections, the chair can proceed with the vote;
- b. If the chair calls for the vote and there is an objection, a council member may make a motion to call for the question [vote immediately]. If this motion is approved by a two-thirds vote, debate will stop. The chair will then read the proposed motion to county council and ask for the votes of the council members.
- c. In no cases, shall council members be allowed to vote by proxy or shall that voting privilege be assumed by another person.

In the case of non-debatable motions, the vote shall occur immediately after the motion is recognized by the chair. The chair shall read or state the proposed motion to county council and then call for the vote.

(Ord. No. 02-03, Rule 8, 3-17-03; Ord. No. 08-17, § 5, 6-2-08)

AGENDA ITEM:

XI-H

Ordinance item H

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF JASPER
ORDINANCE 2021-17
AN ORDINANCE
OF JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL**

TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAX FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES IN JASPER COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1ST, 2021 AND ENDING JUNE 30TH 2022 AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR SAID PURPOSES; TO ADOPT AND APPROVE THE JASPER COUNTY CAPITAL AND OPERATIONS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022, TO MAKE SUCH AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020-2021 CAPITAL AND OPERATIONAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE AND RATIFY TRANSFER AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 7 OF THAT BUDGET ORDINANCE, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO; TO ADOPT AND APPROVE THE JASPER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT CAPITAL AND OPERATIONS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022; TO LIMIT THE DISBURSEMENTS BY THE COUNTY TREASURER TO THOSE APPROPRIATED BY LAW; TO PROVIDE THAT EXPENDITURES NOT EXCEED APPROPRIATIONS; TO AUTHORIZE TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES; TO MAKE AUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN TRANSFERS; TO PROVIDE FOR CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS TO FILE ACCOUNTINGS; TO REQUIRE THE TREASURER TO SIGN GENERAL FUND CHECKS; TO PROVIDE SPECIAL RULES FOR TRAVEL AND TRAINING DISBURSEMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS; TO PROVIDE COMPLIANCE WITH ACT NO. 317 OF 1990; TO PROVIDE CERTAIN BENEFITS TO COUNCIL MEMBERS; TO PROVIDE FOR COUNTY COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE STIPENDS; TO PROVIDE FOR JURY MILEAGE; TO ADOPT PROPERTY VALUES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Jasper County Council in council duly assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. Appropriation for Jasper County Capital and General Operations Budget. There is hereby appropriated from revenues to be collected from the stated sources the following sums for the Jasper County Capital and Operational needs and for the purposes set forth for fiscal year 2021 – 2022:

**JASPER COUNTY
CAPITAL AND GENERAL OPERATIONS BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

REVENUES	APPROPRIATIONS
County Property Tax Levy \$ 22,640,000	Emergency Service \$ 12,527,831
L.O.S.T. (Sales Tax) \$ 3,101,200	Sheriff \$ 5,345,560
Fee in Lieu \$ 2,400,000	Detention \$ 3,339,260
State Aid \$ 1,108,952	Engineering Services and Solid Waste \$ 2,556,752
Cash Carry Forward \$ 3,032,328	Agency Appropriations \$ 1,919,240
All Other Revenues \$ 5,556,783	All Others \$ 12,150,620
Total \$ 37,839,263	Total \$ 37,839,263
County Debt Tax Levy <u>\$ 1,913,000</u>	County Debt <u>\$ 1,913,000</u>
County Grand Total \$ 37,752,263	County Grand Total \$ 37,752,263

The detailed Operations Budget containing line by line accounts by department and /or agency is hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance. Management of individual accounts for the functions of elected officials shall be the responsibility of that elected official.

SECTION 2. Appropriation for Jasper County School District Capital and General Operations Budget. There is hereby appropriated to the School Operations Budget the remaining non-appropriated funds collected through School District ad valorem taxation in Fiscal Year 2020-2021, which were in excess of School District funds appropriated by the FY 2020- 2021 budget ordinance. There is further hereby appropriated from revenues to be collected from the stated sources the following sums for the Jasper County School District Capital and Operational needs and for the purposes set forth for fiscal year 2021 - 2022:

**JASPER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAPITAL AND GENERAL OPERATIONS BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

REVENUES	APPROPRIATIONS
School Property Operations Tax Levy \$ 16,768,500	School District Operations Tax Levy \$ 16,768,500
School Debt <u>\$ 3,663,400</u>	School Debt <u>\$ 3,663,400</u>
School Grand Total \$ 20,431,900	School Grand Total \$ 20,431,900

SECTION 3. Levy. There is hereby levied upon the taxable property of Jasper County a sufficient number of mills by the County Council from assessment of the property therein which, together with fines, forfeitures and taxes collected by various tax offices and all income of the County shall raise the amount therein appropriated and for the purpose herein stated.

	Millage
County (less Emergency Services)	85.00
Emergency Services	57.00
County Debt	12.00
School	166.00
School Debt	<u>25.00</u>
Total Mills	345.00
 Cherry Point Fire District	 32.00

SECTION 4. Disbursement by Treasurer. The Treasurer is directed to disburse to or on behalf of the activities described in Sections 1 and 2 no more than the amount appropriated and to hold all additional revenues referred to herein and all revenues collected as a result of and through the levied millage, over and above the appropriations stated herein, in an interest bearing account of the County, pending future appropriation by the County Council. In the event that the actual collection of revenue shall be less than the appropriations made in Section 1 or 2, then appropriations shall be reduced to a sum equal to the amount of revenue actually collected.

SECTION 5. Expenditures Not to Exceed Appropriations. Expenditures shall not exceed appropriations without the consent of the County Council. County Council authorization to amend the budget shall be ratified by ordinance through a budget amendment.

SECTION 6. Tax Anticipation Notes Authorized. For the purpose of paying in cash for the foregoing and all other general ordinary County expenses for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 as authorized by this ordinance or by any other appropriation ordinance hereafter passed in and for said fiscal year, the County Council of Jasper County is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to borrow from time to time as may be necessary on the official note or notes of Jasper County, or other evidence or evidences of indebtedness, in anticipation of the collection of the taxes herein levied, provided that all loans made from private persons, firms, or corporations shall not exceed \$6,000,000 in the aggregate. Such borrowing shall be sold in such manner and upon such terms as the County Administrator shall deem in the best interest of Jasper County, upon the advice of the County's financial advisor and counsel. Such borrowing may take the form of a public or private sale, as deemed appropriate by the Administrator. Such sum or sums so borrowed shall constitute a valid and prior claim against the said taxes herein levied and against Jasper County, and shall also be secured by a pledge of the full faith, credit, and taxing power of Jasper County. The Administrator, and any other officers or staff of Jasper

County as are deemed by the Administrator necessary or convenient to the accomplishment of the borrowing authorized herein, are hereby authorized to execute all agreements, contracts, certificates, undertakings, disclosures, and other documentation as is convenient or necessary to facilitate such borrowing.

SECTION 7. Authorization of Transfers.

(a) The Administrator is hereby authorized to transfer up to \$5,000.00 from within divisions to meet any line item overage of unforeseen expenditure.

(b) Except as provided in Subsection 7 (a), Budget transfers from one division to another division shall be approved by the County Council.

SECTION 8. Continuing Appropriations for Subsequent Year. Should the County Council in any subsequent year fail to enact an appropriation ordinance for Jasper County, the appropriation and tax levy herein set forth shall be the appropriation ordinance for such subsequent year for Jasper County.

SECTION 9. Agencies and Departments to File Accounting. Agencies or departments receiving appropriated funds under this ordinance, at the County Council’s request, shall file an accounting for use of such funds. This accounting shall be available for examination or inspection by the citizens of Jasper County.

SECTION 10. Treasurer to Sign Checks. The Jasper County Treasurer shall sign all general fund checks.

SECTION 11. Special Rules for Travel and Training Disbursements. The elected officials or department heads who receive an annual appropriation for travel and training shall be required to present an itemized statement and all appropriate receipts for reimbursement of the same. No official or department head shall be reimbursed in excess of their annual appropriation unless such expenditures are approved in advance by the County Administrator.

SECTION 12. Travel Reimbursements. All Jasper County employees who have reason to travel outside of Jasper County on official County business shall be reimbursed for same with respect to the County mileage rate which is based on the current IRS rate for mileage and the latest approved meal schedule (breakfast \$10.00. lunch \$18.00 and dinner \$32.00). Per Diem can be paid in advance with proper documentation submitted to the finance office. All out of state travel must be approved in advance by the County Administrator.

SECTION 13. Compliance with Act No. 317 of 1990. Section I of the Fiscal Year 2021–2022 Budget Ordinance contains provisions for the rollback against County property tax of \$2,201,852 of local option sales tax revenue for the fiscal year 2021-2022. The \$2,201,852 meets or exceeds the amount required as rollback in Act No. 317, 1990 Acts and Joint Resolutions 1822. All other local option tax discount revenue shall become general fund expenditures, as budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget. The local option sales tax discount factor for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 shall be .0007 which determines

the amount of discount on individual tax bills. The factor was determined by using the formula prescribed by Act No. 317, 1990 Acts and Joint Resolutions 1822.

SECTION 14. Council Member Benefits. The Council Members wishing to be on the County Health Insurance Plan may do so under the same guidelines as the other County employees. Council Members, who do not choose to be on the County's Health Insurance Plan, may be compensated with additional benefits not to exceed the value of a County employee's health insurance benefit paid by the County. Additional benefits that may be offered in lieu of health insurance include, but are not limited to, life insurance, dental insurance, existing 401K, new 401K accounts, existing IRA accounts or new IRA accounts, deferred compensation and credit union. These benefits will be limited to those plans already in place by the County and the County Administrator will have full discretion as to which benefits are offered. These benefits may not be exchanged for monetary compensation under any circumstances.

SECTION 15. Commission and Committee Stipends. This budget ordinance limits the payment of stipends to members of the Jasper County Planning Commission to one stipend per month in the amount of \$100.00. These stipends shall be paid providing the member attends the scheduled meeting. A quorum of the committees must be in attendance at the scheduled meeting for the stipend to be paid. The assessment appeals board members will be paid an annual stipend of \$500.00.

SECTION 16. Juror Mileage. The Clerk of Court is hereby authorized and required to reimburse jurors for mileage for each day's attendance upon court at the current IRS rate for mileage.

SECTION 17. Property Values adopted. The property values established by the County Auditor, County Assessor and the South Carolina Department of Revenue, based on Dec. 31, 2020, valuation date are adopted and ordered implemented for tax year 2021.

SECTION 18. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

Jasper County Council

BY:

Barbara Clark, Chairman

Dr. Curtis Brantley, Vice Chairman

L. Martin Sauls IV, Councilman

Alvin Adkins, Councilman

John Kemp, Councilman

ATTEST:

**Wanda Simmons,
Clerk to Council**

First Reading: 5/17/2021
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Public Hearings: 06/07/2021
Adopted:

Reviewed for form and draftsmanship by the Jasper County Attorney.

David Tedder

Date

AGENDA ITEM:

XII

New Business item A



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Jasper County Council Request for Approval

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Submitted For:	Review and approval by Council
Recommendation:	Council approves the allocation recommendations made by the Accommodations Tax Committee on May 5, 2021

Description: The Jasper County Accommodations Tax Committee met on May 5, 2021 to review the requests made by local organizations for State Accommodations Tax funds. The committee's recommendations are attached as well as the minutes of the meeting and the information submitted by each organization making a request.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the County Council approve the allocation of State Accommodations Tax funds as recommended by the Accommodations Tax Committee on May 5, 2021.

Attachments:

- Accommodations Tax Worksheet
- A draft of the minutes of the May 5, 2021 Accommodations Tax Meeting
- Accommodations Tax Meeting Notice
- Accommodations Tax Meeting Agenda and Packet

AGENDA ITEM:

XII

New Business item B



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Jasper County Council Request for Approval

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Submitted For:	Review and approval by Council
Recommendation:	Council approves the allocation of local accommodations and hospitality taxes as requested and presented on the list included with this document.

Description: Annually, Staff prepares an estimate of the local accommodations (A-Tax) and hospitality (H-Tax) taxes anticipated to be received in the succeeding fiscal year. The anticipated proceeds are estimated to be \$590,000 for FY21-22. This amount was calculated based on the YTD A-Tax and H-Tax receipts as of May 31, and an estimated amount for the remainder of the year the current year with an anticipated increase of approximately 11% due to the re-opening of the economy and an increase in collection efforts. Each year Council approves the allocation of local accommodations (A-Tax) and hospitality (H-Tax) tax funds to organizations that have requested funds and use the funds to promote tourism within the unincorporated portions of Jasper County. The organizations that have requested local A-Tax and H-Tax funds for fiscal year 2021- 2022 are provided on the attached list. Also, included on the list are amounts allocated to Jasper County to pay the airport construction loan, to make improvements to Exit 33 on Interstate 95, and to the electric bill associated with the Exit 33 on Interstate 95 lights.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the County Council approve the allocation as provided.

Attachments:

Jasper County Local Accommodations & Hospitality Tax Request List for FY21-22
Organization Requests

**JASPER COUNTY
LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS & HOSPITALITY TAX
FY21-22**

	Budget Amount	FY20-21 Receipts (thru 5/31)
REVENUE		
LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS TAX	\$135,700.00	121,793.00
LOCAL HOSPITALITY TAX	\$454,300.00	366,631.00
	25%	
	75%	
TOTAL	\$590,000.00	\$488,424.00
	REQUEST	APPROVED
BLUE HERON NATURE CENTER	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
GOPHER HILL FESTIVAL	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
J.C. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (BILLBOARD)	\$ 9,000.00	\$ -
J.C. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (FARMERS MKT)	\$ 7,200.00	\$ -
JASPER COUNTY CHAMBER VISITORS CTR. & JASPER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY	\$ 8,477.00	\$ -
LOWCOUNTRY & RESORT ISLANDS TOURISM COMMISSION	\$ 13,100.00	\$ -
POINT SOUTH MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION	\$ 72,500.00	\$ -
THE IVY GARDEN CLUB	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -
JASPER CO. AIRPORT	\$ 280,000.00	\$ -
JASPER COUNTY (IMPR. TO EXIT 33)	\$ 170,223.00	\$ -
JASPER COUNTY EXIT 33 LIGHTS-UTILITIES	\$ 13,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 590,000.00	\$ -



Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District
Blue Heron Nature Center
321 Bailey Lane
Ridgeland, SC, SC
843-726-7611 (F) 843-726-3263
Email: ltindal@jaspercountysc.gov

April 20, 2021
Ms. Kimberly Burgess
Director of Finance
PO Box 1149
Ridgeland, SC 29936

Re: Jasper County A-TAX Request/South Carolina A-TAX Request 2021-2022

Dear Kimberly:

This year's ATAX request is considerably different than in past years due to the changes of economic and tourism impact of Jasper County with the pandemic. **The Blue Heron Nature Center and Keep Jasper Beautiful** all work under the umbrella and housed at the **Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District**. The pandemic has encouraged tourists and locals to focus on outdoor activities and our amazing County has drawn those nature lovers to our area. We have been extremely fortunate during the past 1.5 years to host many individual tourists and locals looking for an outdoor escape during the pandemic. When other indoor areas were closed, the Blue Heron Nature Center continued to operate within strict guidelines and offer a respite for our nature based, outdoor seeking tourists.

The Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District, in partnership with The Town of Ridgeland, Jasper County, and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources has successfully implemented the Blue Heron Nature Center and the Nature Trail for the past 19 years. The Blue Heron Nature Center's location at I-95, and close proximity to local businesses, provide a convenient respite for weary travelers and their families. The Center's distinctive environmental setting with natural wildlife habitat and valuable green space in the heart of rapid development makes the Blue Heron Nature Center a significant economic resource, attracting visitors and tourists to our lovely Low Country area. We have definitely experienced an increase in traffic during the pandemic with tourists, hunters and locals focusing on outdoor activities and utilizing our Nature Center and outdoor activities at an increase of our hunting population of 23 % in the past 1.5 years. Even though we have not held fund raising events or any type of events, individuals and tourist have utilized the outdoor hiking trail, picnic area, Blue Heron Center porch area, and hunting more often than in the past 3 years. Our anti-litter efforts through **Keep Jasper County Beautiful** is contributing to the community effort to help make our County a healthier, cleaner, greener, atmosphere that not only appeals to locals, but tourist and economic development as well.

The Blue Heron Center provides natural resource displays focusing on our unique low country environment and eco system. Diverse local community and civic groups and organizations, schools, as well as state, regional and national organizations utilize the classroom for training and educational meetings and seminars. Educational, environmental, recycling, anti-litter, and activity materials, brochures, and guides plus display room and trail tours are provided pro bono

to all visitors and school groups at a significant cost to the Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District. The Blue Heron Center has welcomed over 3000 visitors per year in the past with locals, state, out of state and numerous visitors from abroad signing our register annually.

- The Blue Heron Nature Center/JSWCD is totally funded by Department of Natural Resources, Jasper County, Town of Ridgeland, affiliate members, contributions, grants and fundraisers. The budget for the Blue Heron Nature Center 2020-2021 is \$51,658.00 (Budget attached)
- Our Director works closely with Town of Ridgeland, Jasper County, Jasper County Chamber of Commerce, SC Palmetto Pride, Low Country Resort Island & Tourism Commission, South Carolina Department of Tourism, Southeastern Motor Coach Association, AAA, and the schools of Jasper County to increase awareness of environmental and conservation practices and to better utilize the BHNC to accommodate and promote tourism.
- The Blue Heron Nature Center is rated #6 of top 10 natural parks to visit in South Carolina for the third year.
- The Blue Heron Nature Center face book page averages 8000 hits per month, engaging with over 1000 viewers per week.

All or events, conferences, meetings and anti-litter campaigns drive the attendees to stay in our motels, frequent our local restaurants, and shop locally, bringing tourism dollars into our community.

Brochures of the Blue Heron Center and Trail are distributed monthly to all South Carolina Welcome Centers, schools, businesses, regional Chamber of Commerce, tour bus companies, and group travel agents. These brochures and all print media are vital to promote and increase awareness of the Blue Heron Center and Trail. We have distributed significantly more literature over the past 1.5 year, due to the pandemic, trying to stay on the forefront of our target market. Keep Jasper County Beautiful will be a welcomed addition to our new brochures. We have established social media as another avenue to promote and market the Blue Heron Nature Center and Trail. We have included Keep Jasper County Beautiful on our social media and print advertising which has proven extremely successful to our engaged viewers.

The Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District and Keep Jasper County Beautiful have made great stride in the past 2 years to promote tourism, enhance the vitality of the Blue Heron Nature Center as a destination respite, to enhance the identity of the Blue Heron Center, the Nature Trail and Jasper County, to enhance the environmental desirability of Jasper County and to enhance the economic health of our area with tremendous success. With having the Blue Heron Nature Center, Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage, Historical sites of Ridgeland, Millstone Landing, Sgt. Jasper Park, Camp Lake Jasper and Savannah Wildlife Refuge in such close proximity, we now have the potential to attract new and repeat visitors in to the County utilizing our motels, restaurants and businesses. With A-Tax funds, the potential for the Blue Heron Nature Center and Keep Jasper County Beautiful has become a game changer for our community for tourism.

The Jasper Soil and Water Conservation District/Blue Heron Nature Center/Keep Jasper County Beautiful is requesting from Jasper County A-TAX, \$5,000.00 to contribute to the cost for updated brochures to promote our anti-litter campaign Keep Jasper County Beautiful, print media, social media, group travel marketing, and to help promote tourism via the Blue Heron

Nature Center for the county of Jasper and \$2000.00 from the State of South Carolina A-TAX to promote our tourism efforts.

Our Tourism budget is approximately 34.8% of our total budget of \$59,223.00. It is obvious that the Blue Heron Nature Center is dedicated to promoting and enforcing tourism for Jasper County. We are one of the vital components of drawing tourists in to this beautiful low country venue.

Thank you for your continued support and prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

**Lyn Boyles, Director
Jasper Soil & Water Conservation District
Blue Heron Nature Center
Keep Jasper County Beautiful**

Commissioners: Tommy Stanley, Chairman
Stan Wells, Vice-Chair
C.M. Dantzler
Micky Ginn
Mike Davis

BLUE HERON NATURE CENTER BUDGET

PROJECTED BUDGET

2021-2022

Contracted Work (15/hour part time)	\$15,000.00	annual Estimate
Lot Loan	\$5,000.00	
Postage	\$480.00	
Security	\$600.00	
Electricity	\$6,200.00	
Water	\$350.00	
House Keeping	\$600.00	
Office Supplies	\$600.00	
Operating Supplies:tissue,towels,soap	\$700.00	
SC Tort Insurance	\$1,800.00	
Nationwide Insurance	\$4,620.00	
Dues/Subscriptions	\$925.00	
Affiliate Calendars	\$1,048.00	
Education programs,seminars,Christmas event	\$2,800.00	
Annual Field Feast Benefit	\$13,000.00	
Youth Fishing Rodeo	\$2,000.00	
SE Motorcoach Fam Tour	\$2,000.00	

PROJECTED EXPENSES:

\$59,223.00

Projected INCOME

A-TAX TOR	INDIRECT	\$5,000.00
A- TAX Jasper County	INDIRECT	\$5,000.00
A-TAX SC	INDIRECT	\$1,000.00
Annual Benefit	INDIRECT	\$22,000.00
Annual Raffle	INDIRECT	\$5,000.00

Grants	INDIRECT	<u>\$2,500.00</u>
DNR Appropriation	DIRECT	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
Jasper County Apporriation	DIRECT	<u>\$7,000.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME:

\$62,500.00

MARCH 28, 2020

DEAR KIM,

THE 2020 GOPHER HILL FESTIVAL THEME THIS YEAR IS
KEEPING GOPHER HILL CLEAN AND HEALTHY.

WE ARE REQUESTING 10,000 FROM LOCAL ATAX AND
3000.00 FROM STATE ATAX. THIS P[AST YEAR THE FESTIVAL
EXPENSES WERE 41,000. ENTERTAINMENT WAS 29,000 AND
ADVERTISEMENT, MISC WAS 12,000..

AS ALWAYS THANKING YOU FOR HELPING US MAKE OUR COMMUNITY
HAPPY, CLEAN, AND HEALTHY AFTER HAVING SUCH A TRYING AND
HUMBLING YEAR.

SINCERELY,


LINDA DAILEY

GOPHER HILL FESTIVAL CHAIRMAN

NO Festival in 2020 due to Covid

2021/2022 Billboard Campaign/Branding for Ridgeland, Hardeeville and Jasper County by the Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

The Jasper County Chamber of Commerce has an ongoing billboard/branding campaign for Ridgeland, Hardeeville and Jasper County along the south bound busy corridor of I-95.

The plan has a billboard within 75 miles of exits 33, 22/21 & 8/5.

Each billboard has a consistent look for each municipality thus branding Jasper County. Each billboard will highlight a major attraction at each exit.

For example:

Ridgeland currently has 2 billboards highlighting its attractions using a “gopher turtle” theme.

Hardeeville currently has 6 billboards highlighting, restaurants, hotels/motels, golf, the wildlife refuge, historical discovery, and the sports complex.

Jasper County currently has one billboard highlighting Point South/Frampton House.

The goal of this campaign is to establish a “brand” or “look” for Jasper County that travelers will grow to recognize.

The chamber receives funds from the Town of Ridgeland for its 2 billboards.

The chamber receives funds from the City of Hardeeville for its 6 billboards.

The chamber is asking Jasper County for funds for one billboard.

The approximate cost is \$750 per month for an annual cost of \$9,000.

Total request

\$9,000

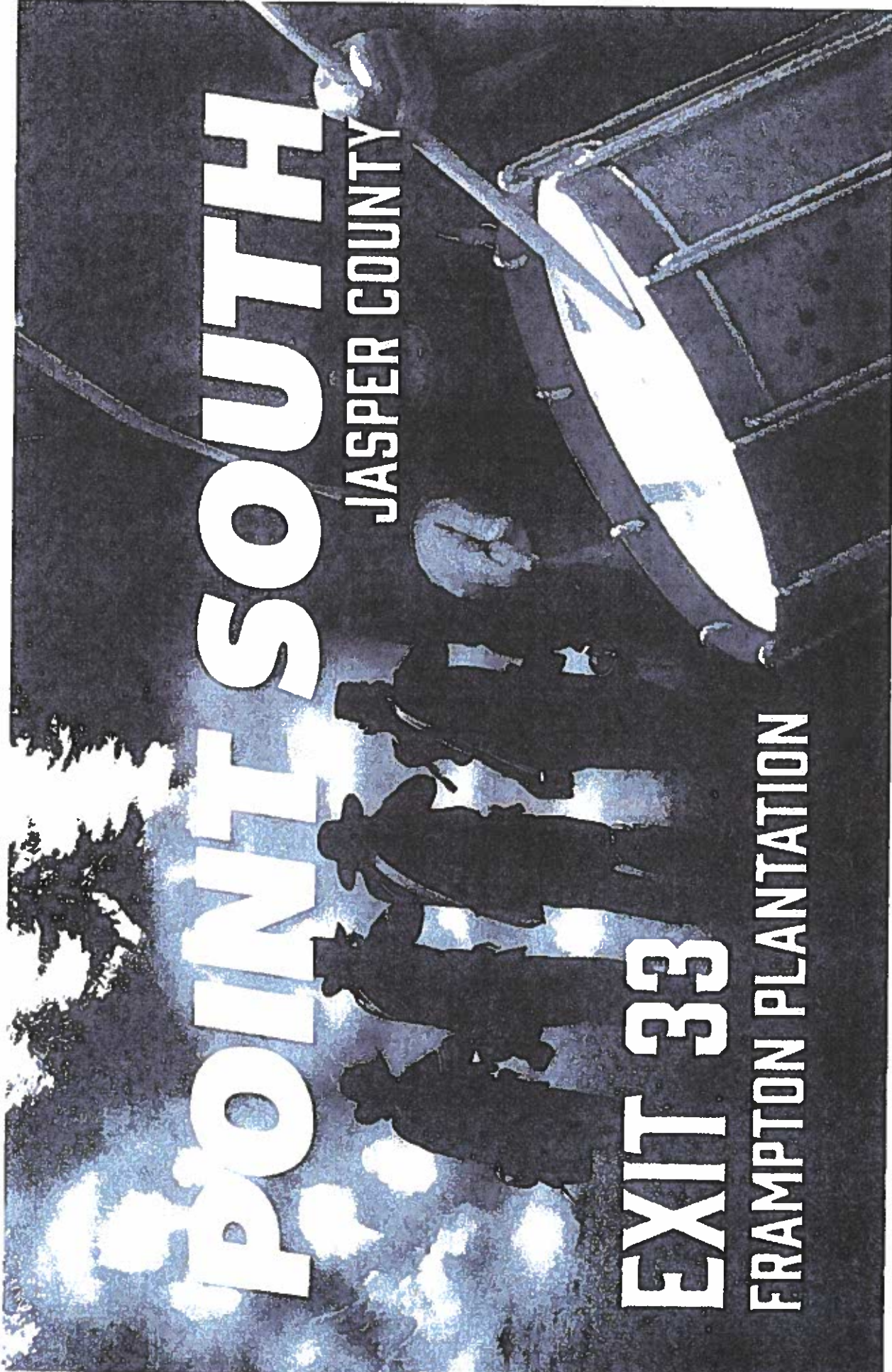
Thank you in advance for your consideration.

POINT SOUTH

JASPER COUNTY

EXIT 33

FRAMPTON PLANTATION



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Accrual Basis

Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
Account QuickReport
July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Accommodations Tax						
Jasper County Indirect						
JC Billboards						
Deposit	10/20/2020	73058	Jasper County	1st & 2nd qu...	Checking	4,500.00
Deposit	04/20/2021	75082	Jasper County	3rd&4th quar...	Checking	4,500.00
Total JC Billboards						9,000.00
Total Jasper County Indirect						9,000.00
Total Accommodations Tax						9,000.00
TOTAL						9,000.00

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 Accrual Basis

Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
 Account QuickReport
 July 1, 2020 through April 22, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Promotions						
Jasper County						
J.C. Billboards	<i>expense</i>					
Check	07/20/2020	15455	Adams Outdoor Ad...	Jasper Count...	Checking	700.00
Check	08/17/2020	15483	Adams Outdoor Ad...	Jasper Count...	Checking	700.00
Check	09/15/2020	15510	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	10/16/2020	15548	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	11/06/2020	15574	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	12/14/2020	15623	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	01/13/2021	15659	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	02/10/2021	15704	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	02/17/2021	15708	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	03/16/2021	15734	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Check	04/12/2021	15762	Adams Outdoor Ad...	County Billbo...	Checking	700.00
Total J.C. Billboards						7,700.00
Total Jasper County						7,700.00
Total Promotions						7,700.00
TOTAL						7,700.00

**2021/22 A-Tax request for the Jasper County
Farmers' Market by the Jasper County Chamber of Commerce**

Grounds Maintenance for the Farmers Market
\$600 per month

Total Grounds Maintenance **\$7,200**

Total Farmers' Market Request **\$7,200**

Attached is the financial expense report for the last fiscal year to-date grounds maintenance.

We had an extremely difficult time finding a company or individual to do the work and finally hired Lowcountry Landcrafters, knowing there would be a price increase for the next fiscal year. This request reflects the price increase.

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Jasper County Farmers Market Account QuickReport July 1, 2020 through April 22, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Facilities and Equipment						
Check	07/20/2020	1649	Grayco	weed eater & oil	JC Farmers' M...	146.20
Check	09/21/2020	1650	John Mingledorff	yard clean up...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	10/02/2020	1651	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	11/06/2020	1654	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	12/02/2020	1655	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	01/05/2021	1657	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	02/02/2021	1658	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	03/03/2021	1659	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	03/05/2021	1660	John Mingledorff	power wash f...	JC Farmers' M...	500.00
Check	03/16/2021	1661	Quitl	shelf for suppl...	JC Farmers' M...	83.56
Check	04/08/2021	1662	Lowcountry Land Cr...	monthly groun...	JC Farmers' M...	300.00
Check	04/20/2021	1665	Lowcountry Land Cr...	weed killer	JC Farmers' M...	189.06
Total Facilities and Equipment						3,318.82
TOTAL						3,318.82



Jasper County
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

April 23, 2021

Dear Jasper County Council,

As you know, the Jasper County Chamber of Commerce, the Visitors Center and The Jasper County Historical Society's Museum occupy the Perry House at 403 Russell Street. This prime location provides tremendous exposure, and gives us the opportunity to showcase a small piece of Jasper County's beauty as seen throughout the Perry House itself.

This location has expenses that are not part of a set budget for these entities and therefore, we are asking for your help through the county's accommodation tax funds. We estimate the electricity cost to average \$325 per month for an annual cost of \$3900; the security will cost \$39 per month for an approximate annual cost of \$468, the water will cost \$47.36 per month for an approximate annual cost of \$569; and grounds maintenance for the property is \$295 per month for an annual cost of \$3,540. Together these total an annual cost of \$8,477.00.

The Jasper Chamber/Visitors Center and the Jasper County Historical Society are making a formal request for these funds (\$8,477.00).

We thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Kendall Malphrus
Executive Director
Jasper County Chamber of Commerce



Steve Rountree
President
Jasper County Historical Society

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Accrual Basis

Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
Account QuickReport
July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Accommodations Tax						
Jasper County Indirect						
Electricity						
Deposit	10/20/2020	73058	Jasper County	1st & 2nd qu...	Checking	1,950.00
Deposit	04/20/2021	75082	Jasper County	3rd&4th quar...	Checking	1,950.00
Total Electricity						<u>3,900.00</u>
Total Jasper County Indirect						<u>3,900.00</u>
Total Accommodations Tax						<u>3,900.00</u>
TOTAL						<u><u>3,900.00</u></u>

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
Account QuickReport
July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Office (Ridgeland) Electricity	<i>expense</i>					
Check	07/06/2020	15445	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	329.28
Check	08/05/2020	15472	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	463.48
Check	09/02/2020	15498	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	378.35
Check	10/01/2020	15527	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	319.79
Check	11/02/2020	15562	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	124.69
Check	12/01/2020	15603	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	121.52
Check	01/05/2021	15648	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	272.29
Check	02/01/2021	15685	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	448.44
Check	03/03/2021	15725	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	309.34
Check	04/01/2021	15749	Dominion Energy	Monthly bill	Checking	226.64
Total Electricity						<u>2,993.82</u>
Total Office (Ridgeland)						<u>2,993.82</u>
TOTAL						<u>2,993.82</u>

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

Account QuickReport

July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Accommodations Tax						
Jasper County Indirect Security						
Deposit	10/20/2020	73058	Jasper County	1st & 2nd qu...	Checking	234.00
Deposit	04/20/2021	75082	Jasper County	3rd&4th quar...	Checking	234.00
Total Security						<u>468.00</u>
Total Jasper County Indirect						<u>468.00</u>
Total Accommodations Tax						<u>468.00</u>
TOTAL						<u><u>468.00</u></u>

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

Account QuickReport

July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Office (Ridgeland) Security System	<i>expense</i>					
Check	07/27/2020	15465	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	08/26/2020	15491	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	09/29/2020	15524	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	10/27/2020	15554	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	11/24/2020	15591	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	12/26/2020	15644	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	01/25/2021	15680	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	02/26/2021	15717	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Check	03/23/2021	15744	Palmetto Security ...	monthly fee	Checking	38.95
Total Security System						350.55
Total Office (Ridgeland)						350.55
TOTAL						350.55

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

Account QuickReport

July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Accommodations Tax						
Jasper County Indirect						
Water						
Deposit	10/20/2020	73058	Jasper County	1st & 2nd qu...	Checking	295.50
Deposit	04/20/2021	75082	Jasper County	3rd&4th quar...	Checking	295.50
Total Water						591.00
Total Jasper County Indirect						591.00
Total Accommodations Tax						591.00
TOTAL						591.00

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
Account QuickReport
July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Office (Ridgeland) Water	<i>expense</i>					
Check	07/06/2020	15443	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	08/05/2020	15471	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	09/02/2020	15495	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	10/05/2020	15538	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	11/06/2020	15570	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	12/01/2020	15602	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	01/08/2021	15654	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	02/02/2021	15691	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	03/01/2021	15720	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Check	04/01/2021	15750	Town of Ridgeland	montly water ...	Checking	47.36
Total Water						<u>473.60</u>
Total Office (Ridgeland)						<u>473.60</u>
TOTAL						<u>473.60</u>

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Accrual Basis

Jasper County Chamber of Commerce

Account QuickReport

July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Accommodations Tax						
Jasper County Indirect						
Visitors Center Ground Maint.						
Deposit	10/20/2020	73058	Jasper County	1st & 2nd qu...	Checking	1,770.00
Deposit	04/20/2021	75082	Jasper County	3rd&4th quar...	Checking	1,770.00
Total Visitors Center Ground Maint.						<u>3,540.00</u>
Total Jasper County Indirect						<u>3,540.00</u>
Total Accommodations Tax						<u>3,540.00</u>
TOTAL						<u><u>3,540.00</u></u>

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Jasper County Chamber of Commerce
Account QuickReport
July 1, 2020 through April 20, 2021

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
Office (Ridgeland)						
Visitors Center Ground Maint. <i>expense</i>						
Check	07/06/2020	15447	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	08/10/2020	15478	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	09/10/2020	15505	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	10/05/2020	15539	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	11/02/2020	15561	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	12/09/2020	15612	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	01/05/2021	15650	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	02/02/2021	15690	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Check	03/03/2021	15724	Ocean Woods Lan...	monthly yard ...	Checking	295.00
Total Visitors Center Ground Maint.						<u>2,655.00</u>
Total Office (Ridgeland)						<u>2,655.00</u>
TOTAL						<u><u>2,655.00</u></u>

IVY GARDEN CLUB

The Ivy Garden Club has been chartered with the Garden Clubs of South Carolina and the National Council of Garden Clubs since 1973. The membership consists of 28 members from Jasper County.

Our projects annually contribute greatly to the beautification of Jasper County and assist in drawing tourist to our beautiful low country county.

- Bi-annual spring festival held at the Blue Heron Nature Trail & Center. We have over 100 people to attend with attendees from Beaufort County, Jasper County, Hampton County and Chatham County
- Created and maintain the garden at the Hardeeville Welcome Center in Hardeeville, SC. This welcome center is one of two of the busiest centers in South Carolina.
- Created and maintain the Memorial Highway Marker at the Hardeeville Welcome Center
- Created and maintain the Butterfly Garden at the Blue Heron Nature Trail, Ridgeland, SC
- Donate and maintain the wreaths and memorials for the Jasper County Courthouse for Memorial Day, Veterans Day, 4th of July and Christmas
- Hosted a clean-up day, fence painting and planting at the Pratt Memorial Library
- Participate in Wreaths Across America and donate 35 wreaths annually.
- Host annual clean- up and beautification campaigns for Sr. Citizen's in Jasper County and Keep Jasper County Beautiful program

We rely totally on our membership dues and donations for financial support and grants through Keep Jasper County Beautiful. The club is very involved in county activities and try to assist any request that is asked.



South Carolina
**LOWCOUNTRY
AND RESORT ISLANDS**
TOURISM COMMISSION

Lowcountry & Resort Islands Tourism Commission
PO Box 615, Yemassee, SC 29945

APPLICATION FOR JASPER COUNTY LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS & HOSPITALITY TAX FUNDS

PROJECT:

Events at the Frampton Plantation House and Visitors Center

In 2012, we began doing annual events at the Frampton Plantation House. It started with the Battle of Pocotaligo Reenactment. In 2014, we added the annual Toys for Tots event and an Easter Egg Hunt for the local school children. In 2015, we hosted the Literary Arts Festival in October and the Pocotaligo Community Festival in September. This fiscal year (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), we were unable to host any events, but we have been welcoming travelers since we were allowed to reopen in May. Guests have been using our grounds, picnic tables and our Visitors Center where every precaution has made to reduce exposure to COVID for our guests and staff. As we continue to navigate uncharted seas with the pandemic, we will remain vigilant that we are keeping everyone's safety at the forefront. Though foot traffic was very light at first, it has slowly, but surely, returned. March visitation in the center itself was up 57% over last year and we are optimistic that the coming months will show increased volume not only over 2020 but probably over 2019 and earlier due to pent up demand and the fact that people are driving to vacation destinations now more than ever. Air Travel will rebound, but for now, we are concentrating on those 10,100 vehicles per DAY passing our driveway on Highway 17.

Last year, the County granted us \$13,100 which was to go towards getting the Harriet Tubman Traveling Exhibit to our grounds. Due to the pandemic, we were unable to get the piece during the fiscal year. We did, however, use these funds, combined with funding from other counties, municipalities, and the State, to increase our digital presence, to increase content generation and promote Jasper County. As a result, our Google Analytics show an increase of 27.4% in New Users and a 30.1% increase in Sessions 20/21 over 19/20 and an increase of 64.5% in New Users and an increase of 66.5% in Sessions 20/21 over 18/19. We conservatively project over 200,000 New Users by the end of FY 20/21 (currently at 185,925), a quarter of a million Sessions (currently at 224,430) and a half million Pageviews (currently at 360,627).

Though we were not able to use last year's funding from Jasper County's Local ATAX and HTAX as we had hoped to, we feel like we have provided a very healthy Return on Investment through our continued promotion of Jasper County and the Lowcountry Region. We were also able to do a two-day video and photo shoot that included several hours at Sergeant Jasper Park, the Yemassee KOA and the Frampton Plantation House that resulted in content generation that is now being used through Google Ads, YouTube, Connected TV, Instagram and Facebook to promote our wonderful assets just off I-95 as 56,600 vehicles per day pass through SC DoT Count 2019 which I am sure is higher now). Please visit YouTube and search for our playlist by typing Naturally Amazing: The SC Lowcountry to see for yourself.

Therefore, we are requesting the same amount from the County as last year. We have been in contact with the Harriet Tubman Traveling Exhibit and will hopefully have her on our grounds this coming Fall or Winter. It would be a wonderful addition to our grounds for a month especially since her Combahee River Raid was just down the road from here. We are still awaiting a new schedule of the statue's availability. Though some of the expenses have likely increased, we are requesting \$13,100 to host that event as shown below.

FY 2021/2022 Frampton Plantation Events Estimated Expenses

PLEASE NOTE Does not include any funding of Staff Payroll

Harriet Tubman Traveling Exhibit	\$ 2,000.00	
Shipping and Insurance on Sculpture	\$ 1,800.00	
Geo-targeted Digital Advertising	\$ 2,000.00	
Facebook Advertising	\$ 2,000.00	
National Advertising (AJC)	\$ 3,000.00	
Signage	\$ 300.00	
Local Advertising:	\$ 2,000.00	(Jasper County Sun, Bluffton Today including MCAS & Parris Island, Lowcountry Weekly)

Expenses (not including staff payroll) \$ 13,100.00

FUNDING REQUEST:

We would like to request \$13,100 in local accommodations and hospitality tax funding from Jasper County to publicize this event and to enable us to secure the Harriet Tubman Sculpture exhibit, other noted events, and general promotion for the Frampton Plantation House Visitors Center.

Thank you for your past support and for considering our request.

POINT SOUTH MERCHANTS

ASSOCIATION

14 Campground Rd. Yemassee, SC 29945 843-726-5733

2021- 2022 3% Tax Funding Request

March 12, 2021

Jasper County Council
Jasper County SC 29936

1. The Point South Merchants Association requests the following dollars for renewal of on-going projects that have been awarded from the 3% accommodations tax fund.

1. Jasper County Sheriff Patrol Officer - \$36,500.00

2. 6x I-95 & US 17 PointSouth promotional billboards \$36,000.00

The existing boards will be re-negotiated to avg. \$1000.00/Month per board.

3. Total request for 2021- 2022 = \$72,500.00

Sincerely,

William C Olendorf Jr
Point South Merchants Association
14 Campground Rd
Yemassee, SC 29945
843-575-5733

President

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Jasper County Finance Department

358 Third Avenue, Post Office Box 1149
Ridgeland, South Carolina 29936
Phone (843) 717-3692 Fax (843) 717-3626

Kimberly Burgess, CPA
Director of Administrative Services
kburgessr@jaspercountysc.gov

Jasper County Council Request for Appointment

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Submitted For:	Council Consideration and Information
Recommendation:	None Currently

Description: There is an open position on the Board of Appeals. There are no current candidates, however, the position is being advertised on the website.

Recommendation: None currently

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New Business item D

May 20, 2021

Ms. Clark
Chair Jasper County Council

Re: Jasper County LWB Appointment

Dear Ms. Clark

Enclosed you will find the appointment form, bio and resume for Ms. Josephine Anderson. We are seeking approval for Ms. Anderson to be appointed to the vacant business seat on the Lowcountry Workforce Board to be filled by Jasper County.

Please consider appointing this nominee by signing and returning the original, appointment form to me. This can be done either by scanning and emailing the original or hard copy via mail. A timely turnaround of this appointment is greatly appreciated as we must submit approval and appointment to the State by June 08, 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you so much for all of your help.

Sincerely,

Michael V. Butler
Workforce Development Director
Lowcountry Workforce Area
C-843-694-1140
O-843-473-3969
mbutler@lowcountrycog.org

**Lowcountry Workforce Board
Appointment**

May 20, 2021,

The following Jasper seat requires re-appointment on the Lowcountry Workforce Board:

One (1) Business Representative

The following nominations have been received:

Business Representatives

Josephine Anderson Owner-Operator Josie's Creative Designs LLC
7769 West Main St Ridgeland SC 29936

As Chief Elected Official for Jasper County, I hereby appoint the individual listed above to serve as Jasper County Business representatives on the Lowcountry Council of Governments Workforce Board.

Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman
Jasper County Council

Date

Perspective Workforce Board Member BIO Form

Lowcountry Council of Governments

Full Name:

JOSEPHINE F. ANDERSON

Mailing Address:

POST OFFICE BOX 215, YEMASSEE, SC 29945

Telephone:

843-575-7770

Email Address

josiectivedesign@yahoo.com

Current Role/Position:

In lieu of answering the next few questions, please feel free to attach a résumé.

Professional/Business/Volunteer affiliations:

I am the owner of Josie's Creative Designs, located in Ridgeland, SC.

I provide flowers for all occasions, gifts, event rentals and I am an event planner. I have been in business since 2000.

I also have volunteered as a Cotillion Master for my Magnolia Cotillion.

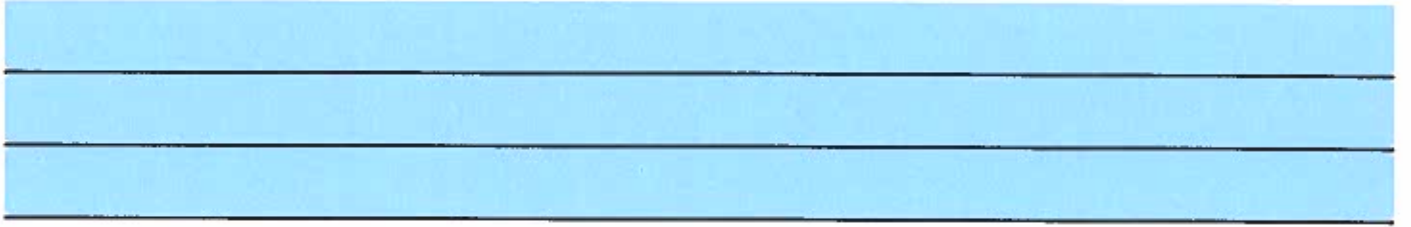
Membership in other organizations:

I am a SC Notary Public and the President in the Front Porch Networkers BNI

What are some of your previous volunteer experiences or leadership roles?

Secretary of Mt. Nebo Missionary Board, Treasurer of the Hickey Johnson Community Basketball Team

What appeals to you about board service as a volunteer activity?



Josie F. Anderson

843-575-7770 or 843-599-7601 (cell)

1903 Hendersonville Hwy., Walterboro, SC 29448

josiecreativedesign@yahoo.com

Objective:

I aim to be a part of a challenging work atmosphere that will allow me to apply my professional expertise, knowledge and experience to help benefit the organization.

Education:

Ashford University **San Diego, CA**
Bachelor of Political Science and Governments *July 19, 2018*

Technical College of the Low Country **Beaufort, SC**
Associate Business/Paralegal

University of South Carolina **Beaufort, SC**
Business Administration

Walterboro High School **Walterboro, SC**
Diploma

Experience:

Josie's Creative Designs, LLC **Yemassee, SC**
Magnolia Eeventures Hall **Yemassee, SC**
Josie's Creative Designs, Too **Ridgeland, SC**
Josie's Flower Barn **Walterboro, SC**
Owner *2000- Current*

- Develop and implement custom designs for client events
- Coordinate and manage events for over 500 guest
- Responsible for hiring, training and supervising part time event staff
- Manage full cycle event planning to meet various customer goals, by working with external vendors to achieve the overall client goal
- Develop budgets and monitor account spending by documenting cost in an expense spreadsheet.

Law Firm of Darnell Thomas Johnson, Jr. **Hardeeville, SC**
Paralegal (Domestic Relations, Workers' Comp, Will & Estate, Criminal, & Civil Litigation) *2011-2013*

- Interviewed clients and prepared court files
- Coordinated and take primary responsibility for guardianships and conservatorships
- Prepared Rule 401 financial statements
- Prepared and respond to discovery requests, including Rule 410
- Prepared complaints for divorce, modification and contempt
- Scheduled matters with the court
- Performed basic drafting of motions
- Prepared subpoenas and manage deadlines

Josie F. Anderson

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Hargray Telephone Company
Senior Network Provisionary

Hilton Head, SC
1997 – 2008

- Provisioned circuits (DSOs, DS1s, DS3s, OC3s, OC12, OC48, METRO ETH, etc.) for carriers nationwide to local serving areas
- Assisted with circuit designs and interpreted Industries Tariffs
- Entered and routed all service orders
- Provided engineering information pertinent to circuits to all level of engineers and network personnel
- Prepared quotes for special circuits and provide customer's support
- Served as a company liaison between national carriers with implementations of service orders for end-users

Back-up Accounting Assistant/Purchasing Representative

- Data entry for Operator Service Tolls
- Prepared monthly reports for billing, inventory, and supplies

Law Firm of Darrell Thomas Johnson, Jr.
Sr. Paralegal - (Domestic Relations, Workers' Comp, Will & Estate, Criminal, & Civil Litigation)

Hardeeville, SC
1995-1998

- Prepared and draft motions, pleadings, judgments, statements, documents, and other correspondence (e.g., debt and asset lists, witness affidavits, child support worksheets, responsive pleadings, etc.)
- Performed legal research
- Maintained attorney calendars and case files
- Scheduled appointments, court appearances, and mediation/deposition hearings
- Served as a liaison between the client and attorney, conducting client interviews
- Prepared trial notebooks and providing assistance in trial settings
- Prepared and reviewed discovery packages, including disclosure statements, answers to interrogatories, and production requests

Law Firm of Gary D. Brown
Sr. Paralegal - (Domestic Relation, Workers' Compensation, Will & Estate)

Ridgeland, SC
1993 – 1995

- Interviewed clients and prepare court files
- Researched and prepared legal documents
- Made occasional court appearances with Attorney
- Accounts Payable and Receivable
- Supervised and trained legal assistances

Relevant Skills & Association:

- * Phi Theta Kappa
- * South Carolina Notary Public
- * Excel & Lotus
- * Work Place Spanish
- * Microsoft Words; Windows XP
- * Quick Book
- * Transcription
- * Income Tax Preparation
- * SC Realtor

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Jasper County Clerk to Council

358 Third Avenue
Ridgeland, South Carolina 29936
Phone (843) 717-3696

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to County Council
wsimmons@jaspercountysc.gov

Jasper County Council Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Request:	Appointment to the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors
Number of Appointments	1
Submitted For:	Approval to appoint 1 new member
Recommendation:	Council approval to appoint new member Chairwoman Barbara B. Clark, to the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors. Chairwoman Clark appoints Mr. Henry Etheridge as her Representative on the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors.

Description:

The Jasper County Council appoints Chairwoman / Councilwoman Barbara B. Clark as the Jasper County Council representative on the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors.

Chairwoman / Councilwoman Barbara B. Clark has appointed Mr. Henry Etheridge as her representative on the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors. Mr. Etheridge's appointment to the Beaufort-Jasper E.O.C. Board of Directors will coincide with Chairwoman / Councilwoman Barbara B. Clark's term in office.

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Phone (843) 717-3696

Wanda Simmons
Clerk to County Council
wsimmons@jaspercountysc.gov

Jasper County Council Staff Report

Meeting Date:	June 7, 2021
Request:	Appointment to the SOLOCO Board
Number of Appointments	1
Submitted For:	Approval to appoint 1 Councilman John Kemp
Recommendation:	Council approval to appoint Mr. John Kemp to the SOLOCO Board.

Description:

The request before the Jasper County Council is to appoint Councilman John Kemp to the SOLOCO board as the Jasper County Council appointment.

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Council Members Comments

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Administrator's Report



OFFICE OF THE JASPER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

358 Third Avenue - Courthouse Square - Post Office Box 1149
Ridgeland, South Carolina 29936 - 843-717-3690 - Fax: 843-726-7800

Andrew P. Fulghum
County Administrator
afulghum@jaspercountysc.gov

Administrator's Report June 7, 2021

1. **Multi-County Industrial Park (MCIP) Agreements with Partner Counties:**
Over the years, Jasper County entered MCIP agreements with Beaufort and Hampton Counties to facilitate economic development projects. Jasper County also entered an MCIP with every member County in the Southern Carolina Alliance (SCA) regarding the Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT) site.

I will provide a brief explanation of how revenue is supposed to be shared in these agreements. In at least two of the agreements, revenues have not been dispersed correctly and staff is working with our neighboring Counties to resolve these issues.

2. **COVID-19 Update:**
Chief Wells will provide the most current statistics for you.

The County Administrator's Progress Report and any miscellaneous correspondence, agendas, and minutes follow this report.



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Andrew P. Fulghum
County Administrator

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Progress Report May 18, 2021-June 7, 2021

1. **Jasper Ocean Terminal (JOT):**
Reviewed news articles. Reviewed email from SCPA. Several discussions with Mr. Tedder. Telephone discussion with attorney re: legal structures. Meeting with private developer. Meeting with GA official. For County Council discussion in executive session on June 7.
2. **Purchase of Property – Project Fence:**
Discussion with owner. For County Council discussion in executive session on June 7.
3. **Exit 3:**
Participated in several telephone calls and reviewed several emails. Additional discussion scheduled for County Council executive session on June 7.
4. **South Hardeeville Drainage Study:**
Discussion with consulting engineers re: potential costs of improvements recommended in the study.
5. **American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and Congressionally Directed Spending:**
Attended NACO webinar on May 18. Reviewed projects with staff and consultant on May 25. Projects submitted to consultant week of June 1.
6. **FY2022 Budget:**
Attended budget workshop prep meeting on May 20 and budget workshop agenda prep. meeting on May 25. Reviewed potential budget changes with Ms. Burgess on May 28.

7. Various Economic Development Projects:

Attended meetings with current business owner on May 20 re: potential plans to expand business. Met with a developer wanting to develop new product on May 24. Received prospect update from Ms. Steele on June 1. To be discussed with County Council in executive session on June 1.

8. Other Meetings/Events Attended or Scheduled to Attend:

SOLOCO meeting on May 25, Marsh Cove Fire Station Groundbreaking on May 27, County Council Special Meeting/Budget Workshop on May 27, Joy McAlhaney retirement drop-in on June 2.



May 24, 2021

Andrew P Fulghum, County Administrator
Jasper County
PO Box 1149
Ridgeland, SC 29936

RE: SCCWCT 2021-2022 Workers' Compensation Renewal

Dear Andy:

On behalf of your Workers' Compensation Trust, I want to thank you and Jasper County for your continued membership in and support of the Trust.

In May of 2010, the SCCWCT Board of Trustees voted to make a "one-time reduction" of the workers' compensation multiplier from 29% to 15%. We are pleased to inform you that on May 19, 2021, the Board of Trustees voted to once again continue the 2010-2011 "one-time reduction" in the multiplier. Based on this decision, the Board of Trustees has determined that your annual contribution for the July 1, 2021 – July 1, 2022 period is \$545,268. The contribution for Jasper Fire is \$1,990.

Please remember that increases in your payroll will act to offset the decrease in the multiplier. Additionally, changes in your claims experience affect your County's experience modification factor which also directly impacts the contribution level that you pay. If your claims are reduced, you will see a contribution savings. If your claims increase, it will increase the contribution level that you pay into the Trust.

Enclosed you will find your County's experience modification ranking as compared to other Trust members. Experience mods greater than 1.00 indicate worse than industry average claims performance. Experience mods less than 1.00 indicate better than industry average claims experience. Please continue to support your Risk Manager to help reduce your experience mod and save your County and the SCCWCT money. SCAC risk managers are available to come to your County to work with your personnel to enhance your safety and risk management program.

Please note that this letter is not an invoice. You will be invoiced at a later date. If you have any questions concerning your 2021-2022 contribution estimate or experience modification factor, please feel free to call Pam Selkinghaus at 1-800-922-6081. As always, please call on your SCAC staff at any time.

Yours truly,

Tim Winslow
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure

c: Kimberly Burgess; Nicole Holt

2021-2022 Experience Mod Ranking

Exp Mod	County Ranking	
0.54	1	Spartanburg
0.58	2	Calhoun
0.59	3	Abbeville
0.62	4	
0.67	5	
0.71	6	
0.73	7	
0.75	8	
0.76	9	
0.77	10	
0.81	11	
0.83	12	
0.84	13	
0.84	14	
0.85	15	
0.87	16	
0.87	17	
0.88	18	
0.89	19	
0.89	20	
0.90	21	
0.91	22	Jasper
0.94	23	
0.94	24	
0.94	25	
0.96	26	
0.98	27	
0.99	28	
1.01	29	
1.02	30	
1.02	31	
1.02	32	
1.07	33	
1.12	34	
1.12	35	
1.16	36	
1.18	37	
1.18	38	
1.25	39	
1.27	40	
1.42	41	
0.92	County Average	



SOUTHERN LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
TOWN OF BLUFFTON, ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTER AT OSCAR
FRAZIER PARK- 11 RECREATION COURT, BLUFFTON, SC 29910
Tuesday, May 25, 2021 10:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Update from Kate Schaefer— Director of Land Protection of the Beaufort County Open Land Trust.
2. Report from the Housing Trust Fund Committee—Eric Greenway, Interim County Administrator of Beaufort County.

III. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

IV. DISCUSSION

Future agenda items.

V. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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