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# JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

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

Monday, August 19, 2024

## AGENDA

**4:30PM**

1. Call to Order of Council Meeting by Chairman Sauls

*Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act.*

*\*In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were posted and furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification\**

2. Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:

1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body – [County Council - SC Public Employee Benefit Authority \(PEBA\) – State Health Plan](#)

(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice related to pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim – [Exit 3; Project Telfair; Tax Map # 087-00-04-001; 252 Russell Street; Legacy Funeral Home Vehicle Rental; Nickel Plate MCIP; City of Hardeeville v Jasper County; USCB MCIP; Treasurer - SC App Case No. 2021-000941; Premium Pay; Opioid Litigation; Jasper Animal Rescue Mission \(JARM\) Lease; Jasper County v Western Surety Company](#)

(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 – [Prospect Update; Project Mr. C; Moffett Solar II; Project Veggie](#)

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.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THERE MAY BE VOTES BASED ON ITEMS FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**3: Return to Open Session at 6:30PM**

- **3.1 Action coming out of Executive Session**

**4. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation:**

**5. Approval of the Consent Agenda Items:**

Approval of Consent Agenda passes all Consent Agenda Items. Consent Agenda Items are not considered separately unless any Councilmember so requests. In the event of such a request the item is placed at the end of the Public Hearings, Ordinances and Action Items.

**6. Approval of the Regular Agenda:**

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**PRESENTATIONS**

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**7. Presentations:**

- **Chief Russell Wells, Director of Emergency Services** – Discussion of Tropical Storm Debby
- **Keith Hughes, Director of JARM** – Jasper Animal Rescue Mission Update
- **Mike Skinner, Treasurer-** Treasurer’s update on the pending litigation

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**PROCLAMATION**

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**8. Chairman Sauls** – Proclamation presentation to the daughter of Mr. Reid, Takisha Reid, declaring September 21, 2024, as “*Robert Reid Day*” for Tarboro citizen Robert Reid.

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**RESOLUTIONS**

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**9. Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2024-23](#) to declare Sheriff Department property, Business License Department property, and Ridgeland-Claude Dean Airport property to be surplus and authorize its sale or disposition pursuant to Section 2-425 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances.

**10. Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2024-24](#) Electing the “Standard Allowance” for the Experienced Revenue Loss and Authorizing Expenditures from the American Rescue Plan Funds

**11. Andrew Fulghum** – Consideration of Resolution [#R-2024-25](#) authorizing the an addendum to an existing employer resolution regarding participation in the State Insurance Benefits Program – County Council Member Coverage.

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**PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS**

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12. **Lisa Wagner** - Consideration of the **1<sup>st</sup> reading** of an Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to apply the Solar Farm Floating Zone to properties bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 050-00-06-002, 050-00-06-005, 059-00-01-002, 059-00-01-003, and 059-00-01-033, as shown on the Moffett Solar II Concept Plan, prepared by Wood., dated May 2024, located along Grays Highway, Firetower Road and Langfordville Road.

13. **David Tedder** – Consideration of the **1<sup>st</sup> reading** of an Ordinance authorizing the sale of TMS 048-00-01-026, approximately five (5) acres, to Gopher Hill Holdings, LLC, or its assigns, and to authorizing the Jasper County Administrator to execute such contracts, amendments, deeds and other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effect the sale to Gopher Hill Holdings, LLC, or its assigns, and matters related thereto.

14. **David Tedder** – Consideration of the **2<sup>nd</sup> reading** of Ordinance **#O-2024-17** Amending Jasper County Ordinance #O-2023-20 by Authorizing and Approving Modified Terms of a Loan from the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank; Authorizing and Approving Documents to Reflect the Modified Loan; Authorizing and Approving Modifications to an Intergovernmental Agreement among Jasper County, South Carolina, the City of Hardeeville, South Carolina and the South Carolina Transportation Infrastructure Bank; and Other Related Matters. *(Exit 3) (1<sup>st</sup> reading 07.15.2024)*

15. **Kimberly Burgess** – Consideration of the **1<sup>st</sup> reading** of a Budget Amendment by Title Only to Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2023-09 For Fiscal Year 2024 Jasper County Budget To Provide For Amendments To The Budget And To Carryover Approved Lapsing Funds To Fiscal Year 2025, And To Amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2024-13 For Fiscal Year 2025 Jasper County Budget To Provide For Amendments To The Budget Resulting From The Carryover Of Approved Lapsing Funds From Fiscal Year 2024.

16. **Ryan Romano** – Consideration of the **1<sup>st</sup> reading** of an Ordinance authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Development Agreement for Moffett Solar II Pursuant to the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act and Article IV, Title 20 of the Code Of Ordinances Of Jasper County; Approving a Technical Amendment to Ordinance O-2024-11 A; Authorizing The Chairman Of Jasper County Council To Execute A Development Agreement; And Other Related Matters.

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#### CITIZEN COMMENTS

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#### 17. Administrator's Report

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

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18. **Danny Lucas** –Approval of the Proposed Purchase through a Public Purchasing Cooperative as Provided in Section 2-441 of the Jasper County Code of Ordinances for an Exmark Lazer Z- Diesel Mower Model: LZS88CDYM96RW0 for SkyBlue Aviation.

19. **Kimberly Burgess** –Approval of Axon Enterprises, Inc. Contract Revision for Seventy-Seven (77) Body Cameras and Seventy-Seven (77) Tasers for the Sheriff Department and Authorize County Administrator to Execute the Contract Effective October 1, 2024.

20. **Andrew Fulghum** – Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement / Social Media / Marketing. (Sol Freedom Marketing LLC)

21. **Kimberly Burgess** – Approval of Revised Southern Health Partners Contract Providing Inmate Health Care with an Increase in Staffing and Access to a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner on an As Needed Basis for FY2025 Budget and Authorize County Administrator to Execute the Contract Effective September 1, 2024.

22. **Kimberly Burgess** – Acknowledgement and ratification of acceptance of School Resource Office Grant for Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$578,031 from the South Carolina Department of Public Safety.

23. Approval of the Minutes 04.15.2024; 04.22.2024; 05.06.2024 and 05.15.2024

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**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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24. Council Members Comments:

25. Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II. *\*Council may act on any item appearing on the agenda including items discussed in executive session.*

26. **Adjournment:**

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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