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To participate in a **Public Hearing for a specific agenda item**, you may either email written public comments to comments@jaspercountysc.gov by **1:00PM on Monday, May 20, 2024**; or you can speak in person at the Council Meeting by signing in on the **Public Hearing Sign In Sheet** located outside the Council Chambers Doors prior to the start of the meeting. **Public Hearing Comments** shall be limited to **3 minutes per person**.

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JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING

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

Monday, May 20, 2024

AGENDA

4:00PM

Budget Workshop:

Jasper First Steps – [Duchette Polite Hylton](#)

Technical College of the Lowcountry – [Dr. Richard Gough, President](#)

Hardeeville Marine Rescue Squad – [Patricia Davis](#)

Jasper County Sheriff's Department – [Sheriff Hipp](#)

Coastal Empire Community Mental Health – [Judith L. Birchenough](#)

Regular Council Meeting and Executive Session will begin at the conclusion of the Budget Workshop

1. Call to Order of Council Meeting by Vice Chairwoman Clark

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 – [Detention Center, Information Technology, Human Resources, Administrative Services, Engineering Services, Development Services](#)

(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 – [Tax Map # 063-26-14-001 and # 063-26-14-002; Banking Matters; Nickel Plate MCIP; Exit 3](#)

(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](#)

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:

6. Approval of the Regular Agenda:

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

7. [Craig Winn and Daniel Burton of SCDOT](#) – Updates and Project Summary for Jasper County

8. [Dwayne Lee, P.A.H. Community Members \(Purrysburg and Arm Oak Community\)](#) – Discussion of Recreation Equipment, Road Hazards/Improvements, Dredging of ditches, Future plans to improve the communities

RESOLUTIONS

9. [Kimberly Burgess](#) - Consideration of Resolution [#R-2024-16](#) approving the State Accommodations Tax Advisory Recommendations and Authorizing the Award of Funds for State Accommodations Tax requests.

10. [Kimberly Burgess](#) - Consideration of Resolution [#R-2024-17](#) Authorizing the Award of Funds for Requests for Local Accommodations and Hospitality Taxes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND ACTION ITEMS

11. [Kimberly Burgess](#) - Consideration of the [2nd reading](#) and [Public Hearing of Ordinance #O-2024-13](#) To Provide For The Levy Of Tax For Public Purposes In Jasper County For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1st, 2024 And Ending June 30th 2025 And To Make Appropriations For Said Purposes; To Adopt And Approve

The Jasper County Capital And Operations Budget For Fiscal Year 2024-2025, To Adopt And Approve The Jasper County School District Capital And Operations Budget For Fiscal Year 2024–2025; To Provide For The Levy Of Taxation For Fiscal Year 2024–2025; 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 Additional Appropriations And Borrowing; To Codify Jasper County Rates And Fees; To Provide For Lapsing Funds And 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 *(1st reading 05.06.2024)*

CITIZEN COMMENTS

12. Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17 Any citizen of the County may sign to speak in person at the Council Meeting (before the Council Meeting's 6:30PM start time on the Sign-In Sheet on the Podium), to address Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.

13. Administrator's Report

CONSENT AGENDA

14. **David Tedder** – Consideration of the **3rd reading**, of Ordinance **#O-2024-10** Authorizing An Amendment To That Certain Fee Agreement By And Between Jasper County, South Carolina And Hardeeville Industrial, LLC, As Successor To SDKM COMMERCE, LLC, Relating To The Investment Period Thereunder; And Other Related Matters. *(1st reading 04.15.2024; 2nd reading 05.06.2024; public hearing 05.06.2024)*

15. **Chief Russell Wells** – Acquisition of portable radios to establish a small spare equipment cache for times as needed.

16. **Danny Lucas** - Automated Weather Observation Station (AWOS) Change Order #1.

17. **Danny Lucas** - Ridgeland Airport Aviation General Liability Insurance 24 – 25 Renewal.

18. **Kimberly Burgess** - Bid Presentation for the Directional Bore at Ridgeland-Claude Dean Airport.

19. Approval of the Minutes of 03.18.2024

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

20. Council Members Comments:

21. 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.*

22. 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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