

**HAMPTON COUNTY COUNCIL'S MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY; MAY 15, 2017; 6:00 P. M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HAMPTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
200 JACKSON AVENUE, EAST, HAMPTON, SC**

Hampton County Council held its regular meeting on Monday, May 15, 2017, 6:00 p. m., Council Chambers, Hampton County Administrative Center, Hampton, South Carolina. Council Member(s) present: Roy Hollingsworth, Chairman; Charles H. "Buddy" Phillips, Vice Chairman; Isaac Smith; Shedron D. Williams and Ronald G. "Breeze" Winn. Council Member(s) absent: None. Staff present: Rose Dobson-Elliott, Administrator; Aline Newton, Clerk to Council; A. G. Solomons, Jr., County Attorney. Media present: Hampton County Guardian. The meeting was advertised as prescribed by law.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hollingsworth called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Council Member Smith gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE MAY 15, 2017 HAMPTON COUNTY AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to accept the Consent Agenda and the May 15, 2017 Hampton County Council Meeting Agenda with the deletion of Item #15.4, Personnel Matter Regarding Magistrate's Office (Ms. Carolyn Williams, Chief Magistrate)and Item#12.5, Approval of Transfer of Line Item. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

A PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE LOWCOUNTRY REGIONAL HOME CONSORTIUM'S (LRHC) 2017-2018 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AND RECEIVE COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PLAN. THE LRHC IS COMPRISED OF BEAUFORT, COLLETON, HAMPTON, AND JASPER COUNTIES. THE LOWCOUNTRY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (LCOG) ADMINISTERS THE HOME PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF THE CONSORTIUM.

Chairman Hollingsworth opened the public hearing to receive public comments regarding the Lowcountry Regional Home Consortium's (LRHC) 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan. Ms. Barbara Johnson, Director, Lowcountry Regional HOME Consortium, came before council to explain the public hearing to review the Lowcountry Regional HOME Consortium's (LRHC) 2017-2018 Annual Action Plan and receive comments concerning the Plan. The LRHC is comprised of Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper Counties. The Lowcountry Council of Governments (LCOG) administers the HOME program on behalf of the Consortium. There were no public

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comments. Chairman Hollingsworth closed the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to approve the May 1, 2017 Hampton County Council Meeting Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION(S)

ESTILL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM, 1A STATE CHAMPIONS:

Chairman Hollingsworth and other council members presented the proclamation to the Lady Gators, coaches and Athletic Director and recognize them for winning the 1A Basketball State Championship.

MR. SCOTT ALLEN, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT, HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2, FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Mr. Scott Allen, Financial Consultant, Hampton County School District 2, came before council to give the financial update for Hampton County School District 2.

APPOINTMENT(S)

There were no appointments.

RESOLUTION(S)/PROCLAMATION(S)

There were no resolutions/proclamations.

ORDINANCE(S)

SECOND READING OF A VARIANCE TO THE HAMPTON COUNTY LAND USE ORDINANCE FOR A SOLAR FARM:

Administrator Dobson-Elliott informed council that Mr. Crews would not be there, because he is ill. **Moved** by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give second reading of a Variance to the Hampton County Land Use Ordinance for a Solar Farm. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voted in favor and Council Members Williams and Winn abstained.

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SECOND READING BY TITLE ONLY TO THE ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE OR SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS TO LOVE'S TRAVEL STOPS AND COUNTRY STORES, INC.; AUTHORISING AN INFRASTRUCTURE CREDIT AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAMPTON COUNTY AND LOVE'S TRAVEL STOPS & COUNTRY STORES, INC.; PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FEES-IN-LIEU OF TAXES PAYABLE UNDER THE AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE QUAD-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II AND PARK III, BY AND AMONG HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND BARNWELL COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give second reading by title only to the Ordinance Providing for Infrastructure or Special Source Revenue Credits to Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc.; Authorising an Infrastructure Credit Agreement Between Hampton County and Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc.; Providing for the Allocation of Fees-In-Lieu of Taxes Payable Under the Amended and Restated Master Agreement for the Establishment of the Quad-County Industrial Park I, Park II and Park III, By and Among Hampton County, South Carolina, and Barnwell County, South Carolina; and Other Matters Relating Thereto. Motion carried unanimously.

TO FURTHER AMEND THE AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE QUAD-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II, AND PARK III, BY AND AMONG HAMPTON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, ALLENDALE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, BAMBERG COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND BARNWELL COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINTLY OWNED AND OPERATED INDUSTRIAL PARK SO AS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY IN HAMPTON COUNTY IN HAMPTON COUNTY AS PART OF THE QUAD COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK:

Moved by Council Member Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Phillips, to give second reading to the ordinance To Further Amend the Amended and Restated Master Agreement for the Establishment of the Quad-County Industrial Park I, Park II, and Park III, By and Among Hampton County, South Carolina, Allendale County, South Carolina, Bamberg County, South Carolina, and Barnwell County, South Carolina, Providing for the Development of a Jointly Owned and Operated Industrial Park, So as to Include Additional Property in Hampton County in Hampton County as Part of the Quad County Industrial . Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips, Smith and Williams. Council Member Winn opposed.

AN ORDINANCE ENLARGING THE BOUNDARIES OF PARK III, PURSUANT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE QUAD-COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK I, PARK II, AND PARK III, AS AMENDED; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give second reading to An Ordinance Enlarging the Boundaries of Park III, Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Master Agreement for the Establishment of the Quad-County Industrial Park I, Park II, and Park III, as Amended; and Other Matters Related Thereto. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith voted in favor and Council Members Williams and Winn voted against.

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HAMPTON COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to give second reading to the Hampton County Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget. Motion carried with Council Members Hollingsworth, Phillips and Smith. Council Members Williams and Winn voted in opposition.

BID(S)

There were no bid(s).

COUNCIL'S BRIEFING(S)

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE:

Chairman Hollingsworth reported that:

DISCUSSION POINTS (COUNCIL MEMBERS):

Chairman Hollingsworth

Chairman Hollingsworth reported that he will be attending the Lowcountry Community Action Agency's Retreat on May 18-20, 2017. He stated that they will be providing the funding for the Retreat.

Council Member Smith

Council Member Smith reported that he and Administrator Dobson-Elliott attended Rose's regrand opening.

Vice Chairman Phillips

Vice Chairman Phillips stated that he had no report.

Council Member Williams

Council Member Williams stated that he will be attending Lowcountry Community Action Agency's retreat also.

Council Member Winn

Council Member Winn wanted to know about L&L Trailer Park. Chairman Hollingsworth informed Council Member Winn that this was between the Town of Hampton and the Lowcountry Regional Water Authority (LRWA). Council Member Winn also commented that there needs to be a concentrated effort for an Internal Audit with specialized service.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S UPDATE:

County Attorney Solomons had to leave.

CLERK TO COUNCIL'S UPDATE:

The Clerk to Council informed council that the Arts Council will be meeting and also the Council on Aging will be meeting this week. The Clerk to Council asked for clarification as to whom Ms. Marcella Brown was representing on the Lowcountry Community Action Agency Board. Chairman Hollingsworth commented he and Council Member Williams is serving and that the County Attorney explained that a representative for one council member would be best to disallow

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three council members to set on the board; therefore, Ms. Brown will be representing Council Member Winn on the board.

**ACTION REGARDING DR. YOULANDA GIBBS' REQUEST FOR THE USE OF
COMMUNITY CENTER(S) WHILE THEIR MOBILE UNIT IS IN THE COUNTY
PROVIDING CARE FOR THE RESIDENTS:**

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Winn, to approve the request from Dr. Youlanda Gibbs' request for the use of community center(s) while their mobile unit is in the county providing care for the residents (Dr. Youlanda Gibbs, Founder and Executive Director of Palmetto Palace). Motion carried unanimously. Administrator Dobson-Elliott will discuss and coordinate with Ms. Tammy Washington, Director, Council on Aging. Council had questions regarding the request; Administrator Dobson-Elliott stated that she would contact Dr. Gibbs to clarify her request.

REPORT(S) TO COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Personnel Update

Administrator Dobson-Elliott gave council the report on the personnel update.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL, ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AND PERSONNEL MATTERS UPDATE:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to go into executive session to discuss legal, economic development and personnel matters update. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

LEGAL, ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AND PERSONNEL MATTERS UPDATE:

Moved by Vice Chairman Phillips, seconded by Council Member Smith, to come out of executive session regarding legal, economic development and personnel matters update. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth reported that council discussed legal matters and economic development updates. Chairman Hollingsworth stated that no decisions were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Williams, seconded by Council Member Smith, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Hollingsworth adjourned the meeting.