



# UPDATED AGENDA

## OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

July 16, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices  
415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC

### Call to Order

**Public Comment Session** *[Limited to a total of forty (40) minutes, four (4) minutes per person.]*

### Council Member Comments

### Moment of Silence

### Invocation by County Council Chaplain

### Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

### Approval of Minutes

- June 18, 2019 Regular Minutes

### Proclamation 2019-11

- Proclamation 2019-11 Honoring Mrs. Flora M. Riley

### Proclamation 2019-12

- Proclamation 2019-12 for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

### Recognition of the Oconee County Veteran's Affairs Office for their hard work and dedication to Veterans in Oconee County

### Administrator Comments

### Public Hearings for the Following Ordinances

### Third Reading of the Following Ordinances

### Second Reading of the Following Ordinances

**Ordinance 2019-17** "AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT RIGHTS TO AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, POST #124 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING INGRESS, EGRESS, AND VEHICULAR PARKING ON CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO."

### First Reading of the Following Ordinances

**Ordinance 2019-18** "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A REAL PROPERTY LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY AS LESSOR AND TRI-COUNTY ENTREPRENEURIAL

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DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS LESSEE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, LOCATED AT 104 BROWN SQUARE DRIVE, WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.”

**Ordinance 2019-19** “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT RIGHTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF UTILITY CONSTRUCTION AT THE OCONEE INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGY PARK; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

### **First & Final Reading for the Following Resolutions**

**Resolution 2019-16** “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER, MICHAEL CRENSHAW, AS SHERIFF FOR OCONEE COUNTY, AND OCONEE COUNTY, IN RELATION TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF A MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING A CURFEW FOR MINORS WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF WESTMINSTER; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.”

### **Discussion Regarding Action Items**

#### **\$50,000 Expenditure for “Undiscovered SC” Grant**

On November 20, 2018 Council approved the application for a \$50,000 SCPRT “Undiscovered SC” grant. This is a matching grant, and the Foothills Farmstead was to reimburse the County for the matching \$50,000 as funds were spent. It is now requested that Council not require Foothills Farmstead to provide the matching \$50,000, but that that sum come from the “Community Contributions” line item description in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget for Oconee County.

### **Ratify execution of Memorandum of Understanding between the South Carolina State Election Commission, Oconee County, and the Oconee County Board of Voter Registration and Elections in relation to the new statewide voting system / Voting System Components**

### **Goodyear Tires from State Contract / Vehicle Maintenance & Quarry / Amount: \$90,000.00 (Estimated)**

**Budget:** \$90,000      **Project Cost:** \$90,000      **Balance:** \$0.00

In August of 2014, Council approved the purchase of Goodyear tires as needed from Super Service Tire and Alignment of Walhalla, SC, not to exceed \$90,000 for FY 2014-2015 through FY 2018-2019. Vehicle Maintenance and the Quarry purchase tires as needed for County vehicles such as, but not limited to, police pursuit tires for law enforcement vehicles, auto radial for passenger vehicles and light/medium radial for trucks. This previous Council approval expired at the end of FY 2018-2019. Staff is now requesting approval for an additional five years, as long as all purchases for Goodyear tires are in accordance with the awarded State Contract for each future fiscal year and amounts do not exceed amount budgeted for tires.

It is the staff’s recommendation that Council [1] approve the purchase of Goodyear tires as needed from

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Super Service Tire & Alignment of Walhalla, SC for an estimated amount of \$90,000 for fiscal year 2019-2020 and [2] allow the County Administrator to approve future purchases from state contract for the next five year period or through FY 2023-2024, as long as all purchases for Goodyear tires are in accordance with the State Contract award and amounts do not exceed amounts budgeted for tire purchases.

**Conservation Easement on the 218.67 acre Chauga Heights tract adjoining Chau Ram Park through Upstate Forever**

Council approved placing the Easement 5.21.19. This approval is for the actual language of the Easement.

The goal of the easement is to protect the property and the Chauga River watershed in perpetuity and to allow for a master plan to be completed that will enhance public use of the property. The master plan will focus on passive and leisure recreation opportunities like expanding the lodging opportunities, increase hiking/biking trails and to create an interpretive center for the public to enjoy.

It is staff’s recommendation for approval of Conservation Easement.

**Approval for the Addition of the Oconee County Deputy Sheriff Position**

The addition of the Deputy Sheriff position request is based on the unanimous recommendation by Pine Street Department Heads and Administration. The Deputy Sheriff will help promote a safe and secure environment for citizens and staff, perform general patrol duties during business hours and meetings, and maintain a county safety program. The Deputy Sheriff will also assist the Oconee County Sheriff’s Department with preserving law and order in the surrounding areas, upon request.

It is staff’s recommendation that Council approve the addition of the Deputy Sheriff position.

**Council approval for required preliminary engineering for the Sewer South Expansion in the amount not to exceed \$183,900**

**Discussion regarding signs, including billboards in Oconee County**

**Board & Commission Appointments (IF ANY)** [Seats listed are all co-terminus seats]  
\*Building Codes Appeal Board.....3 At Large Seats

*\*No questionnaires on file for any of the seats listed above*

**Unfinished Business** [to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required] [None scheduled.]

**New Business** [may include items which may be scheduled for final action at a future meeting, if required] [None scheduled.]

**Executive Session**

*[upon reconvening Council may take a Vote and/or take Action on matters brought up for discussion in Executive Session, if required]*

*For the following purposes, as allowed for in § 30-4-70(a) of the South Carolina Code of Laws:*

*[1] Discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Projects Aztec.*

*[2] Discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Project Trout.*

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*[3] Discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Project Chi.*

*[4] Discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Project Resource.*

*[5] Receive legal advice and discuss contractual matter related to land development.*

*[6] Discussion of contractual and Economic Development matter, Historic Courthouse.*

*[7] To receive legal advice and discuss personnel matters related to the following departments: The Rock Quarry, Auditor, Finance, Assessor, Information Technology, Human Resources, Sheriff's Office, Airport, Treasurer, Facilities Maintenance, Roads and Bridges, Planning, Solid Waste, Registration & Elections, Procurement, and Administration, including internal review procedures.*

~~*[8] Discussion regarding the potential purchase of real property for the possible relocation of the Westminster Magistrate's Office.*~~

*[8] Discussion regarding a contractual matter regarding Visit Oconee.*

*[9] To discuss a contractual matter related to the potential purchase of property for public safety purposes.*

## **Discussion Regarding Action Items [cont'd]**

### **Discuss and take action on proposed Memorandum of Understanding in relation to Project Trout**

## **Adjourn**

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