



**WALTERBORO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 1, 2025
CITY HALL
6:15 P.M.**

AGENDA

I. Call to Order:

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Input on Agenda Items:

III. Presentations:

1. Cindy Warren – Neighborhood Concerns.
2. Barrett Ulm – Police and Fire.

IV. Public Hearings:

1. **Ordinance # 2025-02**, AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO TITLE 5, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 5-3-150, SUBSECTION 3 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED, TO ANNEX AN AREA KNOWN AS TMS # 147-00-00-100 INTO THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, A SOUTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (Second and Final Reading).
2. **Ordinance # 2025-03**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III, SECTION (b) (5), NUISANCES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA, A SOUTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (Second and Final Reading).

V. Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular Meeting – February 4, 2025
2. Regular Meeting – March 4, 2025

VI. Old Business:

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VII. New Business:

1. **Ordinance # 2025-04**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO PROVIDE FOR CHANGES IN THE ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF ONE PARCEL OF LAND DESIGNATED AS TMS # 163-15-00-072 FROM INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (ID) TO HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (HDR) (Introduction and First Reading).
2. **Resolution # 2025-R-01**, A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE APRIL 2025 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH AND APPROVAL OF ANNUAL NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY.
3. A Proclamation to Designate April 2025 as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH IN THE CITY OF WALTERBORO (Proclamation Attached).
4. A Proclamation to Designate April and May 2025 AS KEEP WALTERBORO BEAUTIFUL/GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP MONTH (Proclamation Attached).
5. Consideration of a parade request from Latosia Simmons – Juneteenth Parade, June 21, 2025, at 10:00 AM, request to use city parking lot and request to use the Waterfall Plaza for a candlelight vigil for the Charleston 9, 7:00 PM-10:00 PM (Request Attached).
6. Appointment to Colleton County Chamber of Commerce Board.

VIII. City Manager's Report:

1. Consideration of a request to purchase a Continental Progressive Cavity Pump for the wastewater treatment plant (Memo Attached).

IX. Executive Session:

1. Personnel Matter – Municipal Court.
2. The provision of water and sewer service encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses served by the public body.
3. Contractual Matter – Walterboro Wildlife Center.
4. Receipt of Legal Advice – Real Estate Matter.

X. Open Session:

1. Council May Take Action on Items Discussed in Executive Session.

XI. Adjournment:

ORDINANCE # 2025-02

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO TITLE 5, CHAPTER 3, SECTION 5-3-150, SUBSECTION 3, OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED, TO ANNEX AN AREA KNOW AS TMS # 147-00-00-100 INTO THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, A SOUTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

WHEREAS, a proper petition has been filed with the City of Walterboro Council by 100% of the freeholders owning 100% of the assessed value of the contiguous property hereinafter described petitioning for annexation of the property to the City of Walterboro under the provisions of SC Code Section 5-3-150(3); and

WHEREAS, it appears to Council that annexation would be in the best interest of the property owners and the City of Walterboro; and

The territory to be annexed is described as follows:

All that lot, piece, or parcel of land and the improvements on it, situated, lying, and being north of the town of Walterboro in Colleton County on the north side of S.C. Highway 64 Bypass (also known as Robertson Boulevard) east of its intersection with U.S. Highway 15 shown on "0.92 AC." on the May 4, 1988, plat by Thomas Gordon McLeod, R.L.S., entitled in part "Plat Prepared for Randy Peters...0.92 acre severed from Tax Map/Parcel#147-00-00-016...", "which is recorded in Plat Book 27 at Page 589 in the office of the R.M.C. of Colleton County. The property has the location, dimensions, and butts and bounds shown on the plat.

This being the same property conveyed to Randolph W. Peters by deed of John M. Tupper dated July 20, 2004, recorded July 20, 2004, in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Colleton County in Deed Book 1067 at Page 223.

The property is designated as TMS# 147-00-00-100, 873 Robertson Blvd., Walterboro, SC 29488.

A map showing the property is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

It is requested that the property be zoned Highway Commercial District (HCD) upon review and recommendation by the Municipal Planning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina, this _____ day of _____, 2025 that the property herein described is hereby annexed to and becomes a part of the City of Walterboro effective _____, 2025.

William T. Young, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____

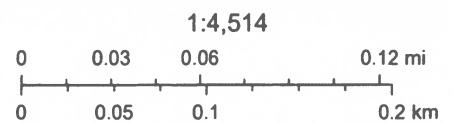
TMS# 147-00-00-100 - 873 Robertson Blvd



Parcel Boundaries

Road Centerlines

City Boundaries



Date: February 10, 2025

PETITION

TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO:

The undersigned, being 100 percent of the freeholders owning 100 percent of the assessed value of the property in the contiguous territory described below and shown on the attached plat or map, hereby petition for annexation of said territory to the City by ordinance effective as soon hereafter as possible, pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 5-3-150(3).

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John R. Kra
Signature(s)

873 Robertson Blvd
Street Address, City WALTERBORO
SL 29488

2/11/25
Date

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FOR MUNICIPAL USE:

Petition received by JKW, Date 2/14/25

Description and Ownership verified by JKW, Date 2/14/25

Recommendation: ANNEXATION

By: JKW, Date 2/14/25

Date: February 10, 2025

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Jimmy Syfrett, Chair
City of Wallerboro Municipal Planning Commission

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Walterboro are responsible for the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Walterboro.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, that Chapter 14, Article III Section 14-52 (b)(5), Nuisances of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina is hereby amended as follows:

(5) Any premises or structure located thereupon, whether commercial or residential, where violations against the federal, state or municipal laws occur with disproportionate frequency or intensity that requires an excessive public safety response cost. "Excessive public safety response" means the reasonable deployment of 5 or more law enforcement officers to an emergency scene at any one time, or the recurring need for public safety or code personnel or emergency vehicles at the location when compared to the frequency of intensity of law or regulation enforcement required at other similarly situated structures or there have been more than two situations of unsafe traffic or crowd control issues at the location which result in the request of emergency assistance or the need for law enforcement assistance from an emergency situation; provided, however, this does not include when traffic control or crowd control is requested in advance of a scheduled event pursuant to a city issued permit or prior discussions with law enforcement. After notice of the continuing nature of the nuisance and specific identification of the facts and circumstances that generate, enable or contribute to the nuisance, the owner, lessee, renter, management or the person in control, may be held responsible for the maintenance of a public nuisance and the structure declared a public nuisance.

ADOPTED, this ____ day of _____, 2025.

William T. Young, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

First Reading: _____

Public Hearing: _____

Second Reading: _____

Walterboro City Council

Regular Meeting

City Hall

February 4, 2025

Minutes

A Regular Meeting of Walterboro City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 6:15 P.M., with Mayor Bill Young presiding.

Present: Joined in the meeting were: Mayor Bill Young, Councilmembers: Carl Brown, Judy Bridge, Paul Siegel, James Broderick, and Ladson Fishburne. City Manager Jeff Molinari, Assistant City Manager Ryan McLeod, City Attorney Brown McLeod, City Clerk Adrienne Nettles, Tourism Director Patricia Utsey, Michelle Knight with Lowcountry Council of Governments, Barrett Ulm, and members of the community. Councilmember Greg Pryor was not in attendance.

Call to Order:

With the above-mentioned Councilmembers present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order and invited everyone to join in as he gave the invocation. Councilmember Bridge led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Mr. Young stated before we get into the agenda we have had a lot of community activity since the last meeting. A week ago, Monday, City Council had a special called meeting, and we came up with a 12-Point Plan to help address the violence that we are experiencing. Some of us met with leaders of the NAACP and we had a good meeting at St. Jude's the other night with a lot of you. A lot of ideas were discussed in that meeting. On Sunday we had a prayer vigil at the Civic Center. A lot of people in the community are pulling together to address the ongoing crime. There will also be another meeting Wednesday at the Library. City Council understands the urgency of addressing these problems and we are not going to surrender to gang violence. The following is what the 12-Point Plan will address the following:

1. Increase police presence, visibility, and enforcement targeting those areas with repeated gun violence or gang activity.
2. Increase community engagement by working with neighbors in affected areas, establishing active crime watch neighborhoods, and encouraging the gathering and sharing of information, and the reporting of criminal activity to the police.
3. Work to recruit and retain highly effective law enforcement personnel through competitive compensation and benefits.
4. Enlist the aid, support, and cooperation of community leaders.
5. Aggressively monitor social media to identify possible flash points and events which may lead to gun violence.
6. Work with the Sheriff's office to establish a task force for use in drive-by shootings in the city and the county, and to anticipate retaliatory responses, identifying and arresting those responsible.

7. Invest in high-tech investigative equipment such as FLOCK cameras and seek out and apply for grants or donations to help fund these.
8. Identify underage children who are participating in gun violence as victims of parental neglect and take appropriate action.
9. Improve communication with the public concerning public safety issues.
10. Address derelict buildings through aggressive code enforcement.
11. Replace or install street lighting where needed.
12. Work with DJJ, the Solicitor, State Representatives, Senators and the Governor to support laws which give law enforcement the tools needed to deter gun violence and keep us safe and to change laws that restrict law enforcement in addressing violent crimes.

We will be reaching out to you all as we go forward and ask for your help. We look forward to working with you all as we go forward.

Public Input on Agenda Items:

Mr. Ulm stated a citizen said the minutes were not available online, but they are. I did not see anything there that was said at the January meeting.

Mayor Young stated I do not think those minutes have been published yet.

Mr. Ulm stated they have not

Mayor Young stated it takes a little time especially for that meeting, since there was a lot going on and a lot of people speaking.

Mr. Ulm asked is it a few meetings behind?

Mayor Young said we are going to approve the minutes from October.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated, let me just clarify, the October meeting minutes are simply an error that we recognized, and we just need City Council to adopt the amended minutes. We are up to date on all the other minutes. The January minutes will take a little while just giving the amount of public comment.

Councilmember Bridge stated in January we did approve the December minutes.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated that is correct.

Ms. Jamie Brown stated I have been reading some of the statutes and ordinances for the city. It talks about citizen committees, is that something Walterboro has? Is this something you would want to consider getting out input to help.

Mayor Young stated that it is something to consider, and we have committees for different departments of the city. That was asked the other night. You do not need City Council's permission to form a committee. We met with a lot of these people on Thursday night and got a lot of beneficial information. You all can contact any Council member at any time.

Ms. Jamie Brown stated while we do not need City Council's blessing to form a committee, if we had the blessing and we were working together that would allow for a lot more organization and a little more power to change things.

Public Hearing:

1. **Ordinance # 2025-01**, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATION FOR HISTORIC REHABILITATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (Second and Final Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council, if I can direct your attention to the screen this is the property at 227 N. Memorial which is going to be rehabilitated. The ordinance before you pertains to the Bailey Bill. This is a special tax program enabled by the General Assembly that allows individuals who rehabilitate historical structures to receive a property tax break for up to 20 years.

A gentleman in the audience asked what kind of building is it that is being rehabilitated?

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated it is my understanding at one time it was a house and will be repurposed into an inn.

Mayor Young stated it was the old Ackerman building which is behind Hiott's Pharmacy.

Mark Rosenberg asked, does this only pertain to commercial buildings and is it retroactive?

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated that it is only commercial buildings, and it is not retroactive.

Mayor Young stated the Bailey Bill is designed to encourage people to renovate buildings in historic areas.

Mrs. Rosenberg asked how many times can the Bailey Bill be used?

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated there is no limit on how many times it can be used.

2. CDBG Needs Assessment Hearing-Michelle Knight, Lowcountry Council of Governments.

Michelle Knight with Lowcountry Council of Governments gave the annual CDBG Needs Assessment Presentation. Ms. Knight went through each funding opportunity and gave a detailed explanation.

Mr. Crowe asked, are all these projects City Council initiated?

Michelle Knight stated not necessarily. They can be communities that have needs that they have talked about during the public hearing and Council sees that as a priority too. The Council sets the priorities, and we work with staff to try to develop the project based on its priorities.

Mr. Crowe asked if we have a project that falls under one of these categories, do I need to mention it to Council?

Michelle Knight stated if you have a project in mind you need to mention it during the public hearing and all that information is considered, when staff looks at making a list for City Council to approve.

Mayor Young stated I know the other night there were questions about CDBG funding for a camera. If you want to bring a project up, you can now, or if you want to bring it up later you can.

Michelle Knight stated talking about the cameras, we installed some cameras with a neighborhood project that we did. Those have to go into low to moderate income neighborhoods.

Ms. Jamie Brown stated you talked about road infrastructure and public safety. I live on Wichman Street, and everyone knows how the traffic is coming in from Summerville. We get a lot of cars and trucks speeding into town. Can those types of funds be used for signage or stop lights?

Michelle Knight stated that it would be through DOT funding.

Councilmember Fishburn stated this year's estimate is \$19 million, what was last year's estimate?

Michelle Knight stated it was around \$19-\$21 million last year.

Councilmember Fishburne asked does it change much?

Michelle Knight stated it does not change much.

Mayor Young asked when do you need the priorities?

Michelle Knight started at the next Council meeting.

Mayor Young stated if anyone has any ideas, please suggest to Council members or the City Manager so that we can talk about them and consider those ideas.

Ms. Jamie Brown asked Ms. Knight, is all this information online that you went over?

Michelle knight stated if you go to our website and go under the Community and Economic Development page all this information is listed.

Presentations:

1. Barrett Ulm – Neighborhood Concerns.

Mr. Ulm stated good evening, Mayor and City Council. A lot has changed since the last time I stood before you all. I would like to mention that we have wonderful and dedicated law enforcement officers here in the City of Walterboro. We appreciate them very much. Now, that I have personally learned there is a lot more issues and problems than we see at hand and the Police Department is doing the best they can. I will do all that I can to help with the resources that are needed to combat the crime. The meeting the Mayor was talking about the other night was very productive. Councilmember Siegel and Mayor Young were in attendance, and we really appreciate that, and it means a lot to the citizens. Mr. Ulm spoke about the Open Carry Law. This law allows anyone to openly carry a firearm without a permit. This law has basically handcuffed law enforcement. This is a big issue. During that meeting the other night the 12-Point Plan was implemented. I have all the confidence in our City Council to exactly what they say they are going to do. City Council is here to protect us and give law enforcement the resources needed to protect us. Since the last meeting we have been keeping a record of all the shootings. During the meeting at St. Jude's gun shots rang out and two people were shoot. That just goes to show they have no regard for human life. I think one of the issues that we have here is that no one really knows who to go to in order to talk about all these issues. As a group we are not here to slam anyone, we want to help. The more information that we are giving as a group, the more we can help.

Mayor Young stated Barrett we are going to do everything in our power to take care of these problems.

Councilmember Broderick stated I'd like to make a motion that we establish a Public Safety Committee of Council to address community concerns and to address the 12-Point Plan.

Mayor Young asked you are saying to make a committee of Council not of community.

Councilmember Broderick stated yes, to take and pull information from the community.

Mayor Young stated we are the committee sitting up here that you have elected and appointed to handle this, and you can contact us at any time.

Councilmember Broderick stated I just feel that if we do that it will give the community the opportunity to see that we have a meeting that is on a smaller format. That committee can bring information back to Council. I think this will help to make the plan successful.

Councilmember Siegel stated I do understand the idea of accessibility. Some people live in these areas affected by the gun violence. They want to feel comfortable sharing information on a regular basis, and I am for it.

Mayor Young stated we will establish a committee through Council proceedings.

2. Patricia Utsey, Main Street Manager/Tourism Director-Main Street Walterboro 2024 Report.

Patricia Utsey gave a presentation on the 2024 Main Street Impact Report. Patricia went through each section and gave a detailed explanation of all the wonderful things taking place in the downtown area. She also stated we are looking forward to an exciting 2025 with new projects coming up. We are in a good position to do a lot of great things.

Approval of Minutes:

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council we just need to amend the October minutes, since we noticed an error in them. There were two paragraphs at the end that needed to be reversed. We ask for Council approval to adopt the amended minutes for the record.

Upon motion of Councilmember Brown, Seconded by Councilmember Bridge, the following minutes were unanimously approved.

1. Regular Meeting- October 1, 2024.

Old Business:

1. **Ordinance # 2025-01**, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATION FOR HISTORIC REHABILITATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (Second and Final Reading).

Motion: Councilmember Broderick; Seconded by Councilmember Fishburne

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

New Business:

1. 2025 First Thursday Request.

Motion: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by Councilmember Broderick

Discussion: None

Carries: All ayes

City Manager's Report:

City Manager Jeff Molinar stated I just want to announce that Walterboro City Council will conduct its 2025 City Council Planning Retreat Friday, February 21, 2025, at the Lowcountry Regional Airport, 537 Aviation Way, Walterboro, SC beginning at 9:00 AM. No formal action will be taken on any items at the retreat. Any action items will be brought back to a Regular City Council Meeting for Council's consideration.

Also, when we were talking about the Bailey Bill, it is the Historic Preservation that reviews the application, not the Planning Commission.

A motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Bridge. Mayor Young explained that City Council would be going into Executive Session to discuss matters of Receipt of Legal Advice- Development of Security Personnel/Devices, Personnel Matter-Compensation, Potential Acquisition of Property, and Contractual Matters: Walterboro Welcome Center, and Building Inspections.

Executive Session:

1. Receipt of Legal Advice - Development of Security Personnel/Devices.
2. Personnel Matter - Compensation.
3. Potential Acquisition of Property.
4. Contractual Matters:
 - a. Walterboro Welcome Center.
 - b. Building Inspections.

A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Councilmember Bridge, seconded by Councilmember Broderick, all in favor motion carries.

Open Session:

A motion to authorize the City Manager to implement salary increases/sign on/recruitment bonuses for sworn in personnel in the Police Department was made by Councilmember Broderick, seconded by Councilmember Bridge, all in favor motion carries.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Bridge, and passed unanimously. Mayor Young adjourned the meeting at 8:44 P.M. Notice of the meeting was distributed with the agenda packets, to all local media, posted on City Hall bulletin board and posted on the City's website at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

Walterboro City Council Regular Meeting

City Hall

March 4, 2025

Minutes

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Present: Joined in the meeting were: Mayor Bill Young, Councilmembers: Carl Brown, Judy Bridge, Paul Siegel, James Broderick, Greg Pryor, and Ladson Fishburne. City Manager Jeff Molinari, Assistant City Manager Ryan McLeod, City Clerk Adrienne Nettles, Tourism Director Patricia Utsey, Utilities Director Wayne Crosby, and Police Chief Wade Marvin.

Call to Order:

With the above-mentioned Councilmembers present, Mayor Young called the meeting to order and invited everyone to join in as he gave the invocation. Councilmember Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Public Input on Agenda Items:

There was no public input on agenda items.

Presentations:

1. Barrett Ulm - Neighborhood Concerns.

Mr. Ulm stated I would like to thank City Council for allowing me to speak tonight. I also would like to thank them for the meeting beforehand where we were able to exchange information, and everyone is on the same page. If we keep this momentum going, we can do a lot of things and make changes. Mr. Ulm also spoke about the open carry law and stated that once a gun law is passed in South Carolina it is hard to get it amended. Mr. Ulm also stated that the Police Department is doing an outstanding job, and he hopes we can all work together to get the crime issues resolved.

Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular Meeting – January 7, 2025
2. Special Called Meeting – January 27, 2025

Motion: Councilmember Broderick; Seconded by Councilmember Pryor

Discussion: None

Carries: All ayes

New Business:

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ANNEX AN AREA KNOWN AS TMS # 147-00-00-100 INTO THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, A SOUTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (Introduction and First Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council you have in your agenda packet an ordinance and petition to annex a piece of commercial property on Robertson Blvd. This is Dr. Kramer's office. We ask staff for Council's favorable consideration of this request.

Motion: Councilmember Broderick; Seconded by Councilmember Bridge

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

2. **Ordinance # 2025-03**, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III, SECTION 14-52 (b) (5), NUISANCES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA, A SOUTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (Introduction and First Reading).

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council the proposed ordinance before you is to amend and update the City's current nuisance ordinance. This is in response to the issues we have been dealing with. The nuisance ordinance we have on the books is good, this update gives us more specific rules for dealing with properties in the city that causes problems. It delineates and defines "excessive public safety response" meaning that the responsible deployment of 5 or more law enforcement officers to an emergency scene at any one time, or the recurring need for public safety or code personnel or emergency vehicles at the location when compared to the frequency of intensity of law or regulation enforcement required at other similarly situated structures or there have been more than two situations of unsafe traffic or crowd control issues at the location which results in the request of emergency assistance or the need for law enforcement assistance from an emergency situation; provided, however, this does not include when traffic control or crowd control is requested in advance of a scheduled event pursuant to a city issued permit or prior discussions with law enforcement. After notice of the continuing nature of the nuisance and specific identification of the facts and circumstances that generate, enable or contribute to the nuisance, the owner, lessee, renter, management or the person in control, may be held responsible for the maintenance of a public nuisance and the structure declared a public nuisance. This update will just give us another tool to deal with our properties around the city.

Moton: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by Councilmember Brown

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

3. Consideration of a request from Coastal Empire CMHC to tie green ribbons on East Washington Street and for the use of the City Waterfall for Mental Health Awareness Month Kick-off, May 1, 2025, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council you have in your agenda packet a letter from Coastal Empire CMHC requesting permission to tie green ribbons on street post downtown during the month of May for Mental Health Awareness and to use the waterfall for a ceremony on May 1st.

Motion: Councilmember Siegel; Seconded by Councilmember Pryor

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

4. Consideration of a request from the Colleton County Veterans Council for the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony to be held on Monday, May 26, 2025, at 9:00 AM at the Waterfall Plaza.

Mr. Holmes stated thank you for your consideration and allowing us to have the service at the Waterfall Plaza.

Motion: Councilmember Pryor; Seconded by Councilmember Broderick

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

5. Consideration of a request from the Colleton County Rice Festival Committee for activities related to the 2025 Colleton County Rice Festival for April 21-27, 2025.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council, pursuant to a conversation between staff and the Rice Festival Committee, the Rice Festival as agreed on both Friday and Saturday night that the vendors will shut down at 7:00 PM.

Motion: Councilmember Pryor; Seconded by Councilmember Bridge

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

6. Consideration of a request from B.I.R.T.H. to hold a 5k walk in downtown Walterboro on Saturday, March 29, 2025, from 8:00-11:00 AM.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council in your agenda packet you have the proposed route. This is the 3rd or 4th year doing the walk and we support this request.

Moton: Councilmember Bridge; Seconded by Councilmember Pryor

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

City Manager's Report:

1. Consideration of funding recommendations from the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council you have your agenda packet a memo and supporting documentation form the A-TAX Committee. They met February 20, 2025, and considered one request from the Colleton County Rice Festival to commemorate their 50th anniversary. They requested \$16,000 and \$11,350 was approved. Should this request be approved as submitted, the projected remaining balance available for the year 2025-2026 will be \$254,580. The remaining funds will be for consideration at the next scheduled meeting in June. The A-TAX committee respectfully requested City Council's approval of their recommendation.

Motion: Councilmember Broderick; Seconded by Councilmember Pryor

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

2. Board and Commission Reappointments.

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council we have a number of board and commission members who wish to continue to serve. The following are the different board and commission members with their respected terms.

Accommodation Tax Committee

Alta Mae Marvin (3-year term expiring January 1, 2028)
Michelle Strickland (3-year term expiring January 1, 2028)
Christie Slocum (3-year term expiring January 1, 2028)

Building Board

Cole Crosby (4-year term expiring January 1, 2029)

Historic Preservation Commission

Scott Cook (2-year term expiring January 1, 2027)
Lucille Powers (2-year term expiring January 1, 2027)

Tree Protection Committee

Mike Ferrari (2- year term expiring January 1, 2027)
Taylor Murdaugh (2-year term expiring January 1, 2027)

Municipal Planning Commission

Sharon Courtney (4-year term expiring January 1, 2029)
Samantha Crowe (4-year term expiring January 1, 2029)

Keep Walterboro Beautiful

Dana Cheney (4-year term expiring January 1, 2029)

We ask for Council's favorable consideration of these reappointments.

Motion: Councilmember Brown; Seconded by Councilmember Bridge

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

3. 2025 CDBG Prioritization

City Manager Jeff Molinari stated Mr. Mayor and members of City Council at last month's meeting. Michelle Knight with Lowcountry Councils of Governments gave a presentation to City Council and

conducted a public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant program for 2025. We are required to submit a list each year of our priority needs for the next funding cycle. Based on the goals and objectives outlined by City Council. I am going to list them.

1. **Public Infrastructure and Facilities**

- Upgrades of water and sewer lines as needed
- Other projects as identified

2. **Community Enrichment**

- Demolition of properties that are attractive nuisances
- Adaptive reuse of existing structures
- Others as identified

3. **Special projects as identified**

- Trail connector for Wildlife Center and Wildlife Sanctuary
- Other projects as identified

4. **Economic Development projects as identified.**

This is the same list that we had in 2024. In talking with Michelle Knight, this gives us more flexibility for upcoming CDBG grant applications and is also in line with the goals and objectives of City Council.

Motion: Councilmember Broderick; seconded by Councilmember Brown

Discussion: None

Carried: All ayes

A motion was made to go into Executive Session by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Pryor. Mayor Young explained that City Council will be going into Executive Session to discuss the provision of water and sewer service encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses served by the public body and Personnel Matter - Appointment to the Building Board.

A motion to come out of executive session was made by Judy Bridge, seconded by Carl Brown. All in favor, motion carried. A motion to appoint John Crews to the Building Board for a 4-year term was made by Councilmember Broderick, seconded by Councilmember Fishburne, all in favor motion carried.

There being no further business to consider, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Pryor, seconded by Councilmember Bridge, and passed unanimously. Mayor Young adjourned the meeting at 7:54 P.M. Notice of the meeting was distributed with the agenda packets, to all local media, posted on City Hall bulletin board and posted on the City's Website at least twenty-four hours prior to meeting time.

Respectfully,

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

ORDINANCE # 2025-04

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA, TO PROVIDE FOR CHANGES IN THE ZONING DISTRICTS OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO BY CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF ONE PARCEL OF LAND DESIGNATED AS TMS # 163-15-00-072 FROM INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (ID) TO HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (HDR).

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Walterboro conducted a public hearing on March 18, 2025, to consider a change in zoning classification from Industrial District (ID) to High Density Residential (HDR) for the above mentioned property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said meeting, the Planning Commission has recommended that the zoning classification of the aforesaid property be changed to High Density Residential (HDR).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED and ordered by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina, that the Zoning Map of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina is hereby amended by changing the Zoning District classification of the property located on Moore Street, designated as tax map number 163-15-00-072, from Industrial District (ID) to High Density Residential (HDR) as shown on the attached map.

DONE, this _____ day of May, 2025.

William T. Young, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:

Adrienne Nettles
City Clerk

First Reading: _____

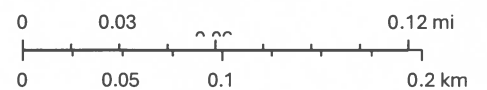
Public Hearing: _____

Second Reading: _____

163-15-00-072 Moore St

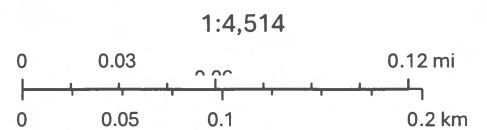
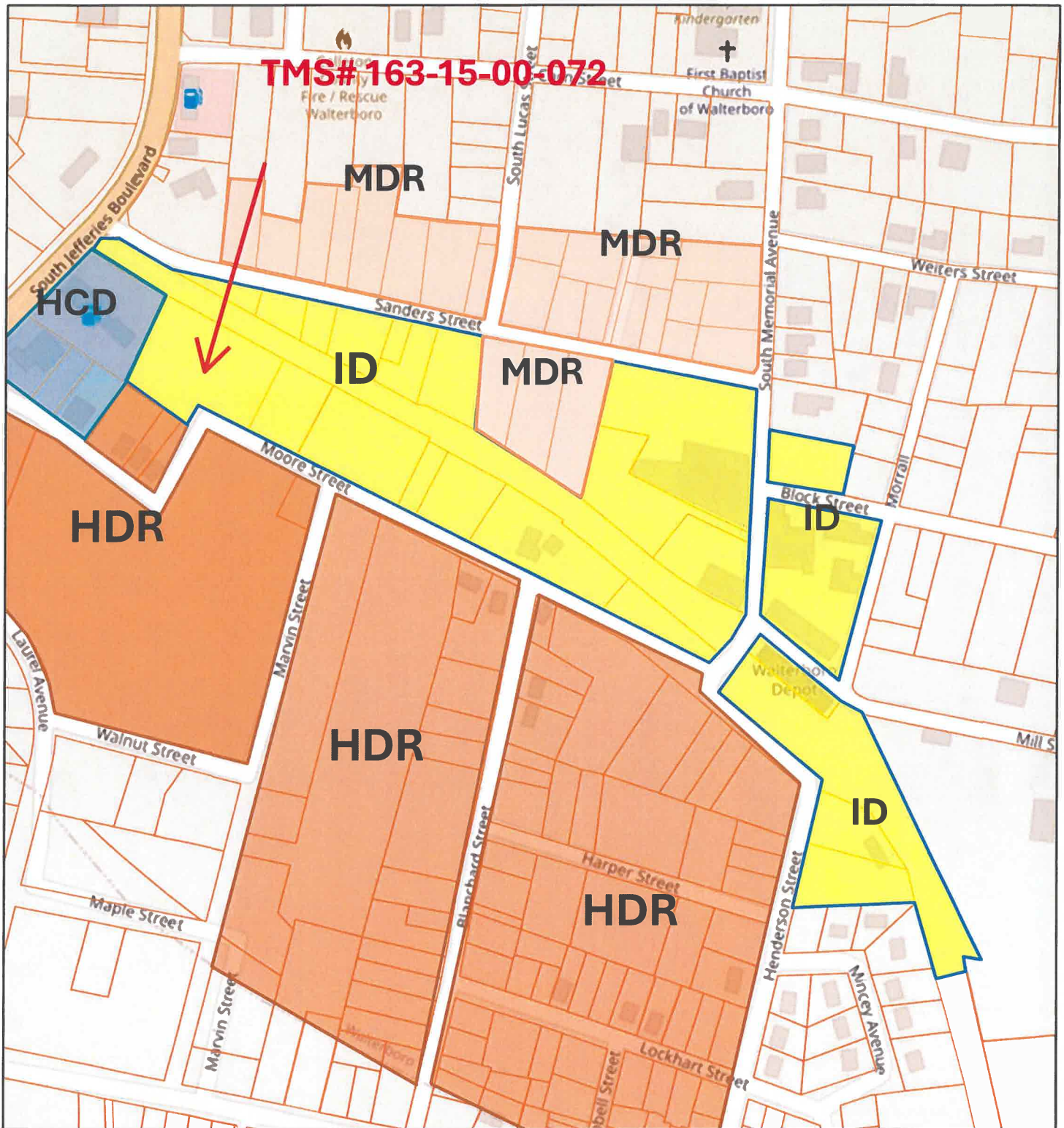


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Parcel Boundaries
Road Centerlines

Zoning Overview-Moore St Area



Map data © OpenStreetMap

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R-01

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, April 11, 2025, marks the 57th anniversary of the passage of the U.S. Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended and the State of South Carolina enacted the South Carolina Fair Housing Law in 1989, that both support the policy of Fair Housing without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, familial status, and disability, and encourages fair housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Walterboro is committed to addressing discrimination in our community, to support programs that will educate the public about the right to equal housing opportunities, and to plan partnership efforts with other organizations to help assure every citizen of their right to fair housing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Walterboro rejects discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, disability and/or familial status in the sale, rental, or provision of other housing services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Walterboro desires that all its citizens be afforded the opportunity to attain decent, safe and sound living environment; and

WHEREAS, April is recognized nationally as Fair Housing Month.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Walterboro, South Carolina does hereby designate April 2025 as being Fair Housing Month and recognizes the policy supporting Fair Housing by encouraging all citizens to endorse Fair Housing opportunities for all not only during Fair Housing Month but throughout the year.

ADOPTED, this ____ day of April 2025 by Walterboro City Council.

William T. Young, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Adrienne Nettles
Municipal Clerk

CITY OF WALTERBORO
POLICY OF
NONDISCRIMINATION
ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY STATUS,
RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, RELIGION,
LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY AND FAMILIAL STATUS

The City of Walterboro does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, limited English proficiency and familial status in the admission, or access to, or treatment or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities.

Jeffrey P. Molinari, City Manager
City of Walterboro
242 Hampton Street
Walterboro, SC 29488
Telephone Number: 843-782-1011 (Voice)
Or 1-800-735-2905 (TDD)

Has been designated to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Developments (HUD) regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR Part 8, dated June 2, 1988).

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, South Carolina's future prosperity is dependent on nurturing the healthy development of the 1.1 million children currently residing in the diverse communities across our state; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have the safe, stable, nurturing homes and communities they need to foster their healthy growth and development; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2024, there were 7,663 children in founded investigations of child maltreatment in South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2024, Hopeful Horizons conducted 411 Forensic Interviews for cases of alleged child abuse and neglect while Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA), provided 14,288 days of care to 108 foster children; and

WHEREAS, child abuse is a public health issue with serious societal consequences, as data shows the link between the abuse and neglect of children and a wide range of costly medical, emotional, psychological and behavioral problems into adulthood; and

WHEREAS, preventing child abuse and neglect must be a priority that requires individuals, families, youth-serving organizations, faith-based groups, businesses, government agencies, and everyone that makes up our community to support the physical, emotional, and educational development of all children and their families; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention exists in communities that provide parents with the social support, knowledge of parenting and child development, and concrete resources they need to cope with the stress and nurture their children, help to ensure that all children can grow to their full potential; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Walterboro, SC in conjunction with Hopeful Horizons, Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA), and support service programs around the state, designates the month of April as

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION & AWARENESS MONTH

while urging all citizens to dedicate themselves to protect quality of life for every child.



WILLIAM T. YOUNG, JR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

ADRIENNE NETTLES, TOWN CLERK





Keep Walterboro Beautiful Greatest American Cleanup 2025 Proclamation

WHEREAS, Keep America Beautiful is the nation's iconic community improvement nonprofit organization that envisions a country in which every community is a clean, green and beautiful place to live, and has established the Great American Cleanup as its signature national effort for involving American citizens in improving their community environment;

WHEREAS, Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup is the largest cleanup effort in history! Keep America Beautiful is rallying Americans to cleanup and transform our roads, parks, neighborhoods and waterways, ahead of America's 250th birthday celebration on July 4, 2026.

WHEREAS, the City of Walterboro of Colleton County seeks to protect its natural resources and bring people together to transform public spaces into beautiful places.

WHEREAS, the City of Waterboro recognizes its commitment to engage citizens, civic and government officials, and business leaders to work together to End Littering, Improve Recycling, and Beautify America's Communities;

WHEREAS, Keep Walterboro Beautiful, and the City of Walterboro are committed to elevate the importance of volunteerism and motivate everyone in our community to become stewards of the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Young, Mayor do hereby pledge to join the Greatest American Cleanup to help create a cleaner, greener community. We will pick up litter, recycle, plant native species, and inspire others to do the same. By working together, we can make Walterboro more beautiful in time for America's Birthday on July 4, 2026. I so declared on this 1st day April 2025.

Bill Young Mayor

CITY OF WALTERBORO
PARADE/PROCESSION PERMIT REQUEST

(PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION REQUESTED)

Application Date: 1-28-2025

1. Person submitting application: **Latosia Simmons**
Address: 287 Otis Road Walterboro SC 29488
Telephone: 843-635-4411
2. Name of Organization: **Juneteenth Headquarters Festival and Parade 2024**
Chairperson/President: **Latosia Simmons**
Address: 287 Otis Road Walterboro SC 29488
Telephone: 843-635-4411
3. Date/Time of Parade: June 21, 2025 10:00 A:M
Parade Route requested (Attach Sketch) Starting route, walterboro drive-in old cinema parking lot, enroute up jefferies blvd, into the heart of the city, make a left turned by rizer chevrolet buick gmc at 351 north jefferies blvd and ending up into the ivanhoe shopping center parking lot * PURSUANT TO A CONVERSATION W/ MS. SIMMONS, THE DOWNTOWN PARADE ROUTE WILL BE USED. JPM
6. Number of Vehicles/Floats: 80 Number of Animals: 0
7. Portion (width) of street parade will occupy: The whole width
8. Additional Information (Upon Request): June 20, 2025 that friday at 5:00 p.m. in the city parking lot (washington street) will be Chili in the City Cook Off Competition
9. request that all vendors business license application be waived June 30, 21, 2025

Latosia Simmons
Signature/Parade Chairman

Latosia Simmons
Signature/Organization Chairperson

_____ Approval _____ Disapproval

Chief of Police

City Manager

Jeffrey Molinari

From: Simmons Insurance Agency <simmons.insurance.a@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 6, 2025 4:00 PM
To: Jeffrey Molinari
Subject: Re: Juneteenth Headquarters Festival and Parade Request 2023

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization! Do not click links, open attachments or reply, unless you recognize the sender's email address and know the content is safe!

Good Afternoon Mr Molinari

Thank you.

Also I need to send up another request to see if we can get the city parking lot on main street (washington street) to have our festivities for this year

Thank you for everything.

latosia
843-635-4411

City of Walterboro
242 Hampton Street
Walterboro, SC 29488
Tel: (843) 782-1000
Fax: (843) 549-9795

Application for use of Public Park Facilities and Use Agreement

PLEASE READ ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS CAREFULLY PRIOR TO COMPLETING APPLICATION

1. Name of Applicant: Letrice Simmons
2. Address: 287 Otis Road Walterboro SC
3. Daytime Phone: 843 635 4411
4. Email address: Kyndel74@gmail.com
4. Park or facility requested: Waterfall main street
5. Date of Use: June 17 Hours: 8:00 am/pm to 10:00 am/pm
6. Type of activity: Candlelight Vigil Charleston 9
7. Estimated Attendance: 100

PARK FACILITIES USE RULES AND REGULATIONS

* Please initial the following indicating you have read and understand all rules and regulations:

1. Authorized individuals or groups shall agree to comply with and accept all policies, rules and regulations pertaining to the use of City property. Any violation of said policies, rules and regulations shall be cause for permit revocation and immediate departure from facilities. Authorized individuals or groups shall be solely responsible for the conduct of members and/or participants (including individuals entering the area whether considered a member, affiliate or not) in any activity authorized to be held in any City park or facility and agree to limit admission to stated capacity of the area/facility; and for the use of all properties, equipment or other resources thereon; and shall agree to be responsible for any damages or mistreatment of any part of the facilities or equipment as indicated in the use agreement and to pay the cost of any repairs or replacement therefore.
2. When a park is reserved, only the area of use is closed for private use. All walkways, grass areas, etc. are open for public use. The City is not responsible for public use of the area before the event and shall have no duty to clean the property prior to the event.
3. Park facilities event must be completed cleaned and vacated by sundown.
4. No grills, no open flames and no cooking are permitted on City park facilities.
5. No alcohol is permitted on City park facilities.
6. No jump castles are permitted on City park facilities.

The applicant hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Walterboro, its officers, agents and employees against any and all claims, demands, costs, expenses and liability of every kind, nature and description directly and indirectly arising from the use of the Park/Facility permitted under this application. I certify that I shall accept responsibility on behalf of my group/organization for any damages or theft sustained by the City (premises, furniture or equipment) because of the occupancy of said premises by our group/organization.

I have read and agree to comply with the rules and regulations stated within this contract. I agree to be personally assessed for any cost of any special cleaning or damage to the facility, equipment or grounds due to the event.

DATE _____


SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED: _____

3/20/25

RECEIVED BY: _____



APPLICATION GRANTED ☒

APPLICATION DENIED ☐



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: City Manager
DATE: March 27, 2025
SUBJECT: Request to Purchase Continental Progressive Cavity Pump

The Utilities Department is requesting permission to purchase a replacement pump for a component of the dewatering facility at the wastewater treatment plant. This is a custom-made pump and pursuant to Section 2-240 of the Code of Ordinances falls under the definition of a sole-source procurement. Staff recommends purchasing the pump from Watershed Process Sales, LLC (Mt. Pleasant, SC) in the amount of **\$25,911.36**. The expenditure will be absorbed by additional capacity in the FY 2024-2025 Sewer Department budget. City staff asks for Council's favorable consideration of this request. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or come by City Hall at your convenience.

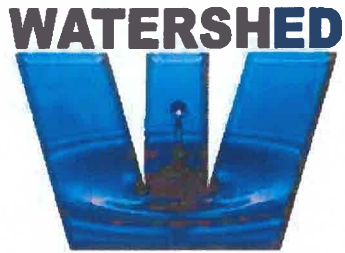
Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. Molinari
City Manager

Attachments

To: Jeff Molinari and Council
From: Wayne Crosby, Utilities Director
Re: Progressive Cavity Pump Purchase
Date: 3/26/2025

The City of Waltherboro's Utilities Department is seeking approval for the purchase of a Continental Progressive Cavity Pump that will be a direct replacement for a component of our dewatering facility. As noted in the quotation dated 1/31/2025, this pump requires custom fabrication for installation in the existing footprint. For this reason, we ask for Council's approval of the purchase from the supplier of the existing pump for \$25,911.36. Supporting documents are attached.



Watershed Process Sales, LLC

2767 Christ Church Ct
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466

Quotation

Date	Estimate #
1/31/2025	2025131

Name
Town of Walterboro Bryant Moore 242 Hampton Street Walterboro, Sc 29488

Job Name		Terms	Due Date
SBR Valve		Net 30	3/2/2025
Qty	Description	Rate	Total
1	Continental Progressive Cavity Pump, CK-200 Series Model Number BN35-6LS/A1-C1-L8-F0-GA, price includes custom fabrication including guard, pump location adjustment on channel base for installation specific dimensions with freight allowed to the jobsite. Delivery to plant 6-8 weeks. Price is valid for 60 days. Watershed Process Sales, LLC Terms and Conditions are part of this proposal.	23,992.00	23,992.00T
		Subtotal	\$23,992.00
		Sales Tax (8.0%)	\$1,919.36
		Total	\$25,911.36