

**PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 14, 2014**

The Planning and Administration Committee met on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Summers, Committee Chair, presided.

Members Attending:

Debra B. Summers, Chair	M. Kent Collins, V Chairman
James E. Kinard, Jr.	K. Brad Matthews
M. Todd Cullum	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, County Administrator; Chris Folsom, Deputy County Administrator; Randy Poston, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Building Permitting and Inspections for the Town of South Congaree (Goal 1) - Community Development - Ron Scott, Director - Mr. Scott presented a request from the Town of South Congaree regarding building permitting and inspections provided by Lexington County within the municipal boundaries of the Town of South Congaree. He reported the County currently performs the service for several municipalities including: Chapin, Irmo, Gilbert, Summit, Pine Ridge, and Swansea. Staff recommends Council's approval for the County Administrator and County Attorney to work out a similar Intergovernmental Agreement allowing the County to perform the same services for the Town of South Congaree. If approved, the Town would need to adopt the County's Building Code Ordinance and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County.

A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendations to provide the services for the Town of South Congaree.

In Favor:	Ms. Summers	Mr. Cullum
	Mr. Kinard	Mr. Matthews

*Mr. Collins was present but did not vote.

Community Development Block Grant Program - Acquisition and Rehabilitation Program (Goal 1) - Community Development - Ron Scott, Director - Mr. Scott presented a request to allocate FY 2013-14 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) contingency funds for the Acquisition and Rehabilitation Program. He reported the program is for single family housing to be made available for sale to qualifying individuals. Mr. Scott said they have been in discussions with a private foundation that is interested in partnering with the County. Mary's Lighthouse, a CDBG subrecipient agency, will provide the services for the program. Staff recommends allocating \$45,000 to the Acquisition and Rehabilitation Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Mr. Cullum to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendations.

In Favor: Ms. Summers Mr. Kinard
 Mr. Cullum Mr. Collins
 Mr. Matthews

Zoning Text Amendment #T13-04 - 1st Reading (Goal 2) - Planning & GIS - Charlie Compton, Director - Mr. Compton presented Zoning Text Amendment #T13-04 for 1st reading initiated at the December Planning Commission meeting. The amendment would affect the section of the Zoning Ordinance for Article 2-Application of Regulations and Article 8-Mining Operations addressing compatibility of mining operations with surrounding areas. Mr. Compton provided a Power Point presentation with background information with the Planning Commission's recommendations. He said the number one issue is what happens under the ground and that is something the South Carolina Department of Health and Environment Control is supposed to deal with, the effects in a residential situation not the County.

A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendations as presented for 1st reading.

Mr. Mergo asked the Committee since the recommendation was coming from the Planning Commission that the motion not include staff's recommendations.

Mr. Cullum withdrew his motion; Mr. Kinard withdrew his second.

A motion was made by Mr. Cullum, seconded by Mr. Kinard to recommend full Council approve for 1st reading the recommendations of the Planning Commission as presented by staff.

In Favor: Ms. Summers Mr. Cullum
 Mr. Kinard Mr. Collins
 Mr. Matthews

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Debra B. Summers
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk