

Darlington County Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, February 05, 2024
6:00 PM
AMENDED AGENDA
Courthouse Annex/EMS Building
1625 Harry Byrd Highway (Hwy. 151)
Darlington, SC 29532
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1. PUBLIC HEARING

1.A. *Ordinance No. 24-01, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Title 12, Chapter 44 Of The Code Of Laws Of South Carolina 1976, As Amended, The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement, By And Between Darlington County, South Carolina And A Project Known To The County As Project Hearth, As Sponsor, And One Or More Sponsor Affiliates To Provide For A Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Incentive And Certain Special Source Revenue Credits For The Benefit Of A Project In The County; And Other Related Matters - SECOND READING*

[Project Hearth Ord 24-01, FILOT 2nd reading version.docx](#)

[Project Hearth Fee Agreement, 2nd reading version.docx](#)

[Public Hearing Notice, Feb 5.pdf](#)

1.B. *Ordinance No. 24-02, An Ordinance Authorizing The Enlargement Of The Joint County Industrial Park Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Florence County, South Carolina; And Other Matters Related Thereto (Project Hearth) - SECOND READING*

[MCIP Ord 24-02, Project Hearth.doc](#)

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1.C. *Ordinance No. 24-03, An Ordinance Authorizing Pursuant To Chapter 44 Of Title 12, South Carolina Code Of Laws, 1976, As Amended: (1) The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And A Company Identified*

For The Time Being As Project Tree, Acting For Itself, One Or More Affiliates, And/Or Other Project Sponsors; (2) Other Related Economic Development Incentives, Including Special Source Revenue Credits; And (3) Other Matters Related Thereto - SECOND READING - CARRY OVER REQUESTED
[Project Tree, FILOT, Ord 24-03.doc](#)

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1.D. *Ordinance No. 24-04, An Ordinance Authorizing The Enlargement Of The Joint County Industrial Park Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Florence County, South Carolina; And Other Matters Related Thereto (Project Tree) - SECOND READING - CARRY OVER REQUESTED*
[Project Tree MCIP, Ord 24-04.doc](#)

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2. CALL TO ORDER

3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. **CITIZENS' COMMENTS** - Darlington County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 2-85 governs Citizens Comments. The following rules shall apply:

(1) Any citizen will be allowed a maximum of 2 minutes during this 30 minutes.

(2) The order of speakers shall be on a first-come, first serve basis as recorded on a log provided before and during the meeting.

(3) Input must be in the form of suggestions, information or comments pertaining to programs or activities of county government. Rules of order and conduct shall apply. Comments should not be made, either complimentary or critical, naming any citizen, board or commission member, employee, or councilmember.

(4) Speakers' comments will be received only as information. This time is provided for citizens to state their suggestions, information or comments, not for a debate or interrogation involving councilmembers or staff. If a member of council wishes to have discussion of a topic initiated during citizen comments, a member can make a motion to have the topic scheduled for council discussion and possible action at a subsequent meeting.

(5) Speakers desiring more time for a presentation should seek to make a scheduled appearance as provided for by section 2-83(d).

5. **PERSONAL APPEARANCES** - Darlington County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 2-83(d-e) governs appearances other than for public hearings. The length of scheduled appearances before Council shall be 10 minutes total for both presentations and questions/answers. The length of time can be extended or permitted at the end of the agenda by the unanimous consent of council or by a 3/4 vote; council may refer those wishing to communicate further to the county administrator or a committee of council; or individuals may be asked to come back at a later meeting. The purpose of appearances before council is for citizens to present their views and concerns in a manner consistent with the rules of order. This is not a forum for councilmembers to be interrogated or for a debate between parties to take place.

6. CONSENT AGENDA (RECEIVE AS INFORMATION)

6.A. *Beaver Management Program Report, December 2023*
[Beaver Report, December 2023.doc](#)

6.B. *Darlington County Humane Society Animal Shelter Quarterly Report, October - December 2023*
[Animal Shelter Report, Dec 2023.pdf](#)

6.C. *USDA Farm Service Center Lease Termination*

[USDA Lease Termination.pdf](#)

6.D. *Darlington County Transportation Committee (CTC) January 24, 2024 Agenda, December 27, 2023 Minutes, & December C Fund Statement*
[DCTC Minutes December 27, 2023.pdf](#)

6.E. *Status Report On County Council Appointed Boards & Commissions*
[FYI, Report Of Vacancies & Term Expirations As Of June 2024, Feb 2024.pdf](#)

6.F. *Darlington County Parks, Recreation, & Tourism Activities*
[Darlington County Activities.docx](#)

[Upcoming Events.pdf](#)[Lamar Recreation.pdf](#)[Hartsville Seniors, Feb 2024.docx](#)

6.G. *Financial update through December 2023*
[Financial Update thru Dec 2023.pdf](#)

6.H. *Fire District Call Volume Report, January 2024*
[Jan 24 call volume.docx](#)

6.I. *E-911 Call Statistics for December 2023 And Yearly Statistics for 2023*
[E911 Statistics, Dec & Yearly.pdf](#)

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7.A. *Minutes of Public Hearing And Regular Meeting, January 2, 2024*
[January 2, 2024, minutes.pdf](#)

7.B. *Minutes Of Special Meeting, January 24, 2024*
[January 24, 2024, minutes.pdf](#)

8. ORDINANCES

8.A. *Ordinance No. 23-23, An Ordinance Authorizing The Conveyance Of Certain Property From Darlington County, South Carolina To The Darlington County Water & Sewer Authority To Correct An Erroneous Deed Filed By A Private Taxpayer And Addressing Other Matters Related Thereto - THIRD READING*
[Ord 23-23, Authorizing Property Conveyance 8980757.1.doc](#)

[Quitclaim Deed - Sewer Pump Station 8974803.4.doc](#)[Affidavit Ord 23-23.pdf](#)

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- 8.F. *Ordinance No. 24-05, An Ordinance To Amend Darlington County Code Of Ordinances, Chapter 6 (Animals) By Revising Various Sections Of This Chapter And Establishing The Effective Date Of This Ordinance - FIRST READING - BY TITLE ONLY*

[Animal Control Amendment, Ord 24-05.pdf](#)

[Proposed Changes to Darlington County's Animal Control Ordinance Jan 2024.pdf](#)

9. RESOLUTIONS

- 9.A. *Resolution No. 773, Resolution Consenting To An Extension Of The Investment Period Of A Fee Agreement Between Darlington County, South Carolina And Nucor Corporation, And Other Matters Related Thereto*

[Res 773 Consenting to Extension of Investment Period for 2019 FILOT.doc](#)

- 9.B. *Resolution No. 774, Adopting The 2023 Pee Dee Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan*

[Pee Dee Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Res 774.docx](#)

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11. OTHER ITEMS

- 11.A. *Appointments To Boards/Commissions/Committees*

[Vacancies & Term Expirations, Feb 24.pdf](#)

[Code of Ord, Boards Commissions.doc](#)

[Description of Boards.doc](#)

11.B. *Appointments To The FY24/25 Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee*

[AcTax Member List, FY23-24.pdf](#)

[Actax Calendar, 24-25.doc](#)

[Accommodations Tax Procedures, As Amended 2022.doc](#)

[Code of Laws, Sec 6-4-25.docx](#)

12. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

13. REQUESTS / COMMENTS - MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

14. VOTE FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

14.A. *The Receipt Of Legal Advice Where The Legal Advice Relates To A Pending, Threatened, Or Potential Claim*

14.B. *Discussion Of Personnel Matters*

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION - (There is the possibility that there may be a vote resulting from Executive Session)

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16. ADJOURNMENT

Next Scheduled Meeting - March 4, 2024, at 6 p.m., at the Courthouse Annex/EMS Building, 1625 Harry Byrd Highway, Darlington, SC 29532

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