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Sales Tax 1

RESOLUTION NO. 00-11-212

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

(To Declare the Results of a Referendum Held on November 7, 2000, in Aiken County, South Carolina, for the Purpose of Determining Whether or Not a One Percent Sales and Use Tax Should be Imposed in Aiken County for Not More Than Seven Years to Raise the Sum of \$54,600,000 the Proceeds of Which Would be Expended for Road Improvements Pursuant to the Capital Project Sales Tax Act.)

WHEREAS:

1. The Aiken County Council has received a certification of the Registration/Elections Commission for Aiken County certifying that a Referendum was conducted on November 7, 2000, in Aiken County, South Carolina, for the purpose of determining whether or not a one percent sales and use tax should be imposed in Aiken County for not more than seven years to raise the sum of \$54,600,000 the proceeds of which would be expended for road improvements in Aiken County, which election resulted favorably on the question of the imposition of such sales and use tax pursuant to the Capital Project Sales Tax Act; and
2. The Aiken County Council has reviewed the proceedings and actions taken by the Registration/Elections Commission for Aiken County in order to ascertain that the Referendum on the imposition of a one percent sales and use tax was duly and properly held and conducted.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AIKEN COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

1. As an incident to the adoption of this Resolution, the Council finds that the facts set forth in the recitals hereof, as the preamble hereto, and the statements therein made, are true and correct.
2. A Referendum was held in the area of Aiken County, South Carolina, on November 7, 2000, at which the following question was presented to the qualified electors of Aiken County:

Must a special one percent sales and use tax be imposed in Aiken County for not more than seven (7) years to raise the amounts specified for the following purposes:

1. \$18,313,285 for County Road Paving Improvements – Pave approximately 90 miles of unpaved State and County Roads, including the following roads:
  - Square Circle Road (C-9)
  - Mt. Zion Road (C-15)
  - Fields Cemetary Road (C-16)
  - Old Graniteville Road (C-17)
  - Springdale Road (C-22)
  - Sandy Ridge Road (C-23)
  - Tomahawk Drive (C-33)
  - Avalon Lane (C-48)
  - Powerhouse Road (C-51)
  - Bradleyville Road (C-52)
  - Hancock Road (C-131)
  - Washboard Road (C-132)
  - Confederate Road (C-135)
  - Waterwheel Road (S-137)

Mayfield Road (C-138)  
 Olive Heights Road (C-162)  
 Gum Swamp Road (C-201)  
 Westbrook Road (C-205)  
 Blackstone Camp Road (C-219)  
 Nantuckett Road (S-243)  
 Boyd Pond Road (C-246)  
 Bethcar Church Road (S-246)  
 Redcliffe Road (C-244)  
 Briar Patch Lane (C-257)  
 Flowing Well Road (S-264)  
 Anderson Pond Road (C-274)  
 Medwell Hill Road (C-376)  
 Mull Street (C-398)  
 Andrew Circle (C-493)  
 Pitts Branch Road (C-511)  
 Cummings Road (C-519)  
 Satcher Pond Road (C-520)  
 Keys Pond Road (C-540)  
 Fulmer Road (C-546)  
 Cumbee Trail Road (C-549)  
 Cato Road (C-587)  
 Old Chalk Bed Road (C-632)  
 Gunter Pond Road (C-650)  
 Browns Pond Road (C-683)  
 Vantage Vale Road (C-690)  
 Day Road (C-707)  
 Joyce Branch Road (C-710)  
 Merritts Bridge Road (C-718)  
 Cedar Creek Road (C-764)  
 Old Tory Trail (C-777)  
 Perron Garvin Road (C-790)  
 Centerwood Road (C-795)  
 Cedar Branch Road (C-801)  
 Big Tree Road (C-809)  
 Washington Road (C-874)  
 Union Academy Road (C-895)  
 Union Hill Road (C-897)  
 Gregory Road (C-980)  
 Association Central Building Road (C-1093)  
 Snipes Road (C-296)

2. \$12,451,740 for the following projects in the City of Aiken with estimated costs:  
 \$1,400,000 for the paving of the following streets:
- Maple Drive (Randolph Street to Palm Drive)
  - Englewood Road
  - Spyglass Drive
  - Glenco Lane
  - Cherry Hills Drive (Englewood Road to Ridgemoor Drive)
  - Northwood Drive (Woodbine Road to Bypass)
  - Doral Drive
  - Oakmont Lane
  - Summerwood Way
  - Sandshifter Court

The Alley (Laurens Street to Newberry Street)  
Stratford Drive  
Belair Terrace  
Bordeaux Place  
Cherbourg Place  
Lorraine Drive  
Burkwood Place  
Cherry Hills Drive  
Medinah Drive  
Longleaf Drive  
Longleaf Court  
Lundee Drive  
Ravenwood Court  
Whitemarsh Drive  
Round Hill Court  
Minikahda Court  
Sperrin Court  
Overlook Drive  
Thorpe Lane  
Gatewood Drive  
Ashwood Drive  
East Hedge Road  
East Boundary Avenue  
Graystone Court  
Woodbridge Drive  
Woodvale Lane  
Driftwood Court  
Sessions Drive  
Fawnwood East  
Fawnwood West  
Inwood Drive  
Buckhead Court  
Deerwood Drive (Huntsman Drive to Pine Log Road)  
Deerwood Court  
Darien Drive  
Suffolk Drive  
Antietam Drive  
Eustis Park Avenue  
Foxwood Drive  
Greenwich Drive  
Glencarin Drive  
Donegal Drive  
Longmeadow Court  
Kings Sport Way  
King Edward Way  
Charleston Row Boulevard  
Queens Court  
Cottonwood Drive  
Bedford Place  
Casaba Drive  
Mimosa Circle  
Rhododenron Place  
Oleander Drive  
Cabinet Drive

Representative Drive  
Trail Ridge Road (Bypass to Varden Drive)  
Woods Bend  
Cadence Court  
Whitney Drive  
Riviera Court  
Calhoun Place  
Hills Woodland Drive  
Riviera Road  
Jackson Trace  
Beauregard Lane  
Redwood Drive  
Water Oak Drive  
Cobbs Way  
Spring Forrest Circle  
Partridge Drive  
Penmar Street  
Hickory Ridge Road  
Alpine Drive  
Woodruff Court  
Trail Ridge Road  
Interlachen Court East  
Interlachen Court West  
Sandstone Boulevard

\$400,000 for storm drainage project in Hitchcock Woods

\$1,700,000 for streetscape projects for the following streets:

East Richland Avenue (York Street to Bypass)  
Hampton Avenue (York Street to Horry Street)  
West Richland Avenue (Waterloo Street to Rollingwood Road)  
US 1 (Richland Avenue) (Gregg Highway to SC 421)  
Park Avenue (Highland Park Drive to Union Street)  
Pendleton Street (Hayne Avenue to Barnwell Avenue)  
Newberry Street (Barnwell Avenue to Richland Avenue)  
Chesterfield Street (Richland Avenue to Park Avenue)  
York Street (Richland Avenue to Park Avenue)  
Hayne Avenue (Pendleton Street to Waterloo Street)  
Richland Avenue West (Rollingwood Road intersection)  
Richland Avenue East (Williamsburg Street to City Limits)  
Union Street (Richland Avenue to Park Avenue)  
Hayne Avenue (Waterloo Street to Richland Avenue)  
Richland Avenue West (Rollingwood Avenue to University Pkwy)  
Kershaw Street (Richland Avenue to Hampton Avenue)  
Barnwell Avenue (Pendleton Street to Newberry Street)  
Chesterfield Street (Richland Avenue to Hampton Avenue)  
Abbeville Avenue (York Street to Sumter Street)  
York Street (Park Avenue to South Boundary Avenue)  
Laurens Street (Park Avenue to South Boundary Avenue)  
Valley Road (Richland Avenue intersection)

\$900,000 for construction of the Aiken Center for the Performing Arts

\$400,000 for construction of Public Safety Station #5

\$7,651,740 for the construction of recreational facilities

3. \$7,522,905 for the following projects within the City of North Augusta with estimated costs:
  - \$150,000 for expansion of the Recycling Center
  - \$760,000 for Riverview Park improvements
  - \$130,000 for completion of Summerfield Park
  - \$80,000 for development of Walnut Lane Park
  - \$1,600,000 for the reconstruction of various city streets
  - \$850,000 for resurfacing city streets
  - \$1,100,000 for improvements to city drainage systems
  - \$752,905 for construction of sidewalks
  - \$1,500,000 for development of the Greenway Extension
  - \$600,000 for development of the Downtown
4. \$451,466 for the following projects in the City of New Ellenton with estimated costs:
  - \$435,000 for the construction of a new Civic Center to house police, fire, city and community functions
  - \$16,466 for the paving of Evans Field walking track
5. \$327,874 for the following projects in the Town of Wagener with estimated costs:
  - \$80,000 for the renovation of the Downtown Pavilion
  - \$220,000 for improvements to the Staley Road Sewer System
  - \$22,000 for the purchase of a new police car
  - \$5,874 for beautification project for Seivern Road
6. \$299,584 for the following projects in the Town of Jackson with estimated costs:
  - \$139,584 for improvements to the Town Hall and Community Center
  - \$50,000 towards the purchase of a new fire truck
  - \$50,000 for improvements and lighting for the Town Park and baseball field
  - \$35,000 for landscaping projects for Highway 125 and Main Street
  - \$25,000 for the purchase of a tractor and related equipment for landscaping maintenance work
7. \$72,030 for the following projects in the Town of Salley with estimated costs:
  - \$6,000 for upgrading the tennis court
  - \$600 for upgrading the basketball court
  - \$25,000 for development of a walking track
  - \$9,030 for renovation of the Town Hall
  - \$31,400 for construction of permanent public restrooms
8. \$67,831 for the following projects in the Town of Burnetown with estimated costs:
  - \$4,831 for the construction of sidewalks
  - \$5,000 for improvements to recreation facilities
  - \$58,000 for construction of a community center
9. \$42,772 for the following projects in the Town of Monetta with estimated costs:
  - \$25,000 for paving Sawyer Road (C-988)
  - \$17,772 for upgrading the Community Center
10. \$33,325 for the following projects in the Town of Perry with estimated costs:
  - \$33,325 for the purchase of old railroad property and development of the property into a fitness trail and walking track and restoration of a caboose
11. \$17,188 for the following projects in the Town of Windsor with estimated costs:
  - \$17,188 for recreation projects

12. \$15,000,000 for the construction of I-520, the Bobby Jones Expressway

TOTAL COST OF ALL CAPITAL PROJECTS: \$54,600,000

YES \_\_\_\_\_  
NO \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS.

All qualified electors desiring to vote in favor of imposing the tax for the stated purposes shall vote "YES" and all qualified electors opposed to levying the tax shall vote "NO".

CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE COLLECTED UNDER THE CAPITAL PROJECTS SALES TAX ACT:

The capital projects sales and use tax shall be used and expended for procurement, design, engineering, construction or improvement of the highways, roads, streets, drainage systems, bridges, recreation facilities, equipment, and government infrastructure listed above, including payment of such sums as may be required in connection with the issuance of revenue bonds, the proceeds of which are applied to such capital projects. Net proceeds of the capital project sales and use tax, if approved, must be expended for the purposes stated, in the priority listed above. The expenditure of revenues from the capital projects sales and use tax, if approved, shall be subject to acquisition of property, right-of-way, design and engineering considerations, funding of projects from other sources, bids in excess of project estimates, qualifications of bidders, cost overruns, financing costs, exhaustion of insufficiency of net sales and use tax revenues to complete the projects in the order and priority stated above and other unforeseen circumstances and conditions.

Council finds that the said Referendum was duly and properly held and conducted in accordance with all applicable constitutional and statutory requirements.

3. The said Referendum resulted favorably on the question of the imposition of a one percent sales and use tax in Aiken County for not more than seven years to raise the sum of \$54,600,000 the proceeds of which are to be expended for road improvements in Aiken County more particularly described in the Referendum question in the priority stated therein by a vote of 23,992 in favor of the question and 22,158 votes in opposition to the question. Council accordingly hereby declares that the Referendum resulted favorably on the question of the imposition of a one percent sales and use tax in Aiken County for not more than seven years to raise the amount of \$54,600,000 for the purpose stated in the Referendum question.
4. A copy of this Resolution, duly certified by the Council Clerk, shall forthwith be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Aiken County, South Carolina, and a copy of this Resolution, duly certified by the Council Clerk, shall forthwith be transmitted with a copy of Aiken County Ordinance 00-8-23, duly certified by the Council Clerk to the South Carolina Department of Revenue, as provided by 4-10-310 et seq., S.C. Code Ann., as amended.

Adopted at the regular meeting of Aiken County Council on November 21, 2000.

ATTEST:

  
Susan Pote, Council Clerk

SIGNED:

  
Ronnie Young, Chairman

COUNCIL VOTE: Unanimous