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RESOLUTION NO. 05-08-164

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

(To Declare the Results of a Referendum Held on November 2, 2004, 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 \$114,412,985 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 2, 2004, 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 \$114,412,985 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 2, 2004, at which the following question was presented to the qualified electors of Aiken County:

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

I. The first \$4,237,130 collected under the Capital Project Sales and Use Tax shall be distributed to the following municipalities in the priority such municipality is listed below.

- A. \$1,039,000 for the following projects within the Town of Burnettown, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Burnettown Town Council:
 - \$500,000 for the construction of a community recreation center;
 - \$150,000 for the construction of a Town storage building to support the waterworks department;
 - \$50,000 for the construction of a concession stand, press box and restrooms at softball recreation facility;
 - \$72,000 to purchase a new dump truck and a new pick-up truck to support the Town and the waterworks department;
 - \$70,000 for the purchase of two new police cars and related capital equipment;
 - \$50,000 for the purchase of new police capital equipment including radar units, cameras, radios, GPS units and alcohol sensor lights;
 - \$40,000 for the purchase of new office and capital equipment for Town Hall;
 - \$30,000 to purchase capital equipment for maintaining recreation facilities;

- \$27,000 for capital improvements to recreation facilities;
 - \$20,000 for beautification projects within the Town including streetscaping, landscaping and new signage;
 - \$30,000 for the construction of sidewalks.
- B. \$707,435 for the following projects within the Town of Jackson, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Jackson Town Council:
- \$90,435 for the demolition and renovation of the municipal complex;
 - \$60,000 for park capital improvements;
 - \$100,000 for capital improvements to the Jackson Agricultural Building;
 - \$70,000 for capital improvements to the Town's little league baseball field;
 - \$105,000 for capital improvements to the Jackson Fire Department;
 - \$57,000 for Town's football field capital improvements;
 - \$160,000 downtown development (along Highway 125/Main Street) including specifically sidewalk improvements, streetscaping, landscaping and drainage improvements;
 - \$20,000 for the construction of a Public Works storage facility;
 - \$45,000 for the purchase of an activity bus for the Town.
- C. \$99,000 for the following projects within the Town of Monetta, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Monetta Town Council:
- \$12,000 for asphalt parking areas in front of Town Hall and an apron in front of the Monetta Fire Department;
 - \$2,000 for office capital equipment for Town use;
 - \$4,000 for playground capital equipment for Town use;
 - \$30,000 for capital renovations to a building for a municipally owned health services facility;
 - \$16,000 for repairs and capital renovations to the Head Start building;
 - \$35,000 for additional payment on USDA loan for water system.
- D. \$1,258,750 for the following projects in the City of New Ellenton, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by New Ellenton City Council:
- \$450,000 for additional Municipal Complex expansion, equipment and capital improvements;
 - \$247,000 for park development and capital improvements at Evans Park and the Greendale area;
 - \$200,000 Library relocation, expansion and capital materials;
 - \$361,750 for infrastructure improvements and equipment to support several city departments including Police, Fire, Sanitation, Recreation, Streets and Roads, and Sewer.
- E. \$84,645 for the following projects in the Town of Perry, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by the Perry Town Council:
- \$45,500 for the purchase of a backhoe and a commercial lawnmower to support the Town and the water district;
 - \$25,000 for the construction of a storage building to support the Town and the water district;
 - \$11,145 for Town signage and other capital improvements to Town Hall;
 - \$3,000 for a new computer system.
- F. \$161,000 for the following projects in the Town of Salley, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by the Salley Town Council:
- \$66,000 for water system improvements;
 - \$95,000 to make additional debt payments on fire pumper truck.
- G. \$833,000 for the following projects within the Town of Wagener, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Wagener Town Council:
- \$20,000 fire department station capital improvements;
 - \$85,000 for a water tender and capital accessories for fire department;

- \$30,000 to purchase a light rescue truck and capital accessories for the fire department;
- \$125,000 to purchase and install new water meters, a new radio meter reading system and necessary hardware for the Town's Waterworks Department;
- \$20,000 for new billing software for the Town's Waterworks Department;
- \$49,000 to replace worn valves on main lines for the Town's Waterworks Department;
- \$22,500 to purchase a utility truck for the Town's Waterworks Department;
- \$30,000 to purchase a new patrol car and capital accessories for the police department;
- \$30,500 for street sign replacement;
- \$203,000 for capital renovations to the Town-owned Yaspén Building to accommodate a community center;
- \$218,000 for capital improvements to town parks as follows:
 - \$3,000 for Gunter Park
 - \$50,000 for Crescent Cities Park
 - \$125,000 for downtown park development along Town-owned railroad right-of-way
 - \$15,000 for Seivern Road Park
 - \$25,000 for Veterans Park

H. \$54,300 for the following projects within the Town of Windsor:

- Capital renovations and repairs to the recreation facility and Town Hall.

II. The next \$97,850,000 collected under the Capital Project Sales and Use Tax shall be distributed proportionally, as received, among the following three jurisdictions in the percentages shown: The City of North Augusta (19.8%), the City of Aiken (28.6%), and Aiken County (51.6%) for the following projects:

A. \$19,350,000 for the following projects within the City of North Augusta, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by North Augusta City Council:

- \$925,000 for the purchase of a fire truck for the Department of Public Safety;
- \$550,000 for a communications system upgrade for the Department of Public Safety;
- \$1,120,000 for the resurfacing of city streets;
- \$2,570,000 for additions to Riverview Park to include a spraypool, playground with canopy, a new scoring tower, restrooms, meeting rooms, dressing rooms and a main concession stand;
- \$1,550,000 for renovations to Riverview Park including upgrades to the baseball and softball fields and the replacement of towers I and III;
- \$690,000 for Riverview Park improvements to enhance traffic circulation, improved maintenance facilities and entranceways;
- \$3,140,000 for construction of parks and acquisition of land for greenways and open space;
- \$750,000 for the construction of the Department of Public Safety Substation III;
- \$5,000,000 for a new municipal complex;
- \$1,500,000 for road intersection improvements to Five Notch @ Pisgah, Celeste, Heil and Georgia;
- \$500,000 for a cultural arts and historical display facility;
- \$500,000 for capital renovations to the North Augusta Community Center;
- \$75,000 for road intersection improvements to Walnut Lane @ US 25;
- \$480,000 for an estimated four miles of sidewalk construction.

B. \$28,000,000 for the following projects within the City of Aiken, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Aiken City Council:

- \$350,000 for a connector road from Dougherty Road to the Aiken Mall;
- \$700,000 for a connector road from Dougherty Road to the Wal Mart;
- \$745,000 for parking lot and landscaping for the new convocation center at USC- Aiken;
- \$250,000 for new pumper truck for new Southside Public Safety substation;
- \$700,000 for new ladder truck for new Southside Public Safety substation;
- \$1,750,000 to continue street resurfacing program;

- \$1,750,000 for infrastructure and housing capital improvements associated with a housing facility for low to moderate income families in the Northside Neighborhood Renewal Project;
 - \$170,000 for Historic Pinelawn Cemetery for streetscaping, landscaping, fencing and roadway improvements;
 - \$4,200,000 for storm water/sanitary sewer/water infrastructure improvements;
 - \$3,500,000 for erosion control and drainage projects in Hitchcock Woods;
 - \$150,000 for Citizens Park parking lot and landscaping;
 - \$100,000 for restrooms at Citizens Park;
 - \$700,000 Whiskey Road improvements including drainage, curbing, sidewalks, and landscaping;
 - \$875,000 to continue the lighting, curbing, sidewalks and landscaping program;
 - \$1,000,000 for construction of parks and acquisition of land for greenways and open space;
 - \$1,500,000 for the construction of a maintenance center at Citizens Park;
 - \$200,000 for parking and to provide lighting, curbing, sidewalks and landscaping to Bee Lane from the Alley to Richland Avenue;
 - \$700,000 to expand the Public Works complex;
 - \$600,000 to expand the Public Safety Building;
 - \$1,400,000 to place electric lines underground in the downtown area;
 - \$1,000,000 to purchase land and begin development of a senior/youth center in the Eustis Park Neighborhood;
 - \$1,000,000 to begin work on a Whiskey Road/Powderhouse Road connector;
 - \$2,750,000 for the construction of a Northside recreational park on the City's former landfill;
 - \$100,000 for the construction of an environmental meeting center in connection with the Carolina Bay;
 - \$200,000 for the provision of band shell over the stage at Hopelands Gardens;
 - \$325,000 to conduct a study and purchase right-of-way for a parallel connector road along Whiskey Road from Centennial Parkway to a new east/west connector road;
 - \$150,000 for a Dougherty Road Corridor study;
 - \$250,000 for a Northside roadway study;
 - \$100,000 for a Citizens Park walking trail;
 - \$50,000 for mobile bleachers for use at the Newberry Street Festival Center, Citizens Park or Virginia Acres;
 - \$210,000 for the construction of public bike paths to be located on public property;
 - \$175,000 for a mobile stage to be used at the Newberry Street Festival Center, Citizens Park or Virginia Acres;
 - \$100,000 for capital improvements at the Public Safety Training grounds;
 - \$250,000 for the construction of a splash park.
- C. \$50,500,000 for the following projects in Aiken County, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by Aiken County Council:
- \$2,000,000 for the construction of two new Emergency Medical Services stations, complete with new ambulances and related capital equipment (Aiken Southside, and Highway 1/Monetta area) and to replace three mobile homes with permanent EMS stations (Silver Bluff High School, J.D. Lever School and Oakwood-Windsor Elementary);
 - \$4,000,000 to replace Sheriff's Department vehicles, ambulances and other vehicles and capital equipment in the County fleet;
 - \$2,100,000 for resurfacing of County streets and roads;
 - \$15,900,000 for paving of the following unpaved roadways:

Road

<u>No.</u>	<u>Road Name:</u>	<u>Portion:</u>
635	Indian Waters Trail	From: S-1903 To: Stack Rd. C-634
634	Stack Road	From: SC-39 To: C-635
365	Midway Circle	From: Whiskey Road To: Whiskey Road
120	Hubert Street	From: Baker St. To: End of C-120

S-45	Five Notch/Pisgah Rd.	Intersection Improvements
86	Sudlow Lane	From: Sudlow Lake Rd. To: End of C-86
12	Ballard Drive	From: Bettis Academy To: Mt. Zion Rd.
270	Brooks Avenue	From: Spalding Dr. To: Wilds Ave.
267	Wilds Ave.	From: Brooks Ave. To: Dougherty Rd.
281	Rogers Road	From: Hwy 1 North To: End
282	Shawscrest Dr	From: Rogers Rd. To: Hwy 1 North
661	Wagontong Road	From: Settlement Rd. To: S-21
387	Valley Drive	From: S-1386 To: Hankinson St. (C-388)
203	Tennis Ranch Road	From: Old Jackson Hwy To: End of C-203
5	Curry Drive	From: Celesta Ave. To: End of Curry
552	Leanne Dr.	From: Palmetto Farms Rd. (S-1891) To: End of (C-552)
895	River Road	From: S-14 To: S-183
475	Pine View Drive	From: Dogwood Drive To: Sizemore (S-739)
248	Saddle Horse Road	From: Piney Heights Rd. To: End of C-248
134	Rebel Road	From: Good Springs Road To: I-20
716	Earl Church Road	From: S-264 To: Church
315	Bluff Landing Road	From: SC-5 (Old Jackson Hwy) To: End
97	Pride Avenue	From: Sudlow Lake Rd To: End of C-97
31	Springfield Church Rd.	From: Hwy 19 N To: Edgefield Co. Line
894	Joe Scott Road	From: S-183 To: C-897
464	Aspen Court	From: SC Hwy 278 (Williston Road) To: End
1160	Toole Circle	From: End of Pavement To: End of Dirt
36	Wooduck Way	From: SC Hwy 19 N To: End
825	Williams-Evans Road	From: S-212 To: S-150
1092	Hunting Hills Drive	From: S-302 To: for .61 miles
1036	Keys Dairy Road	From: Pine Log Road To: End of C-1036
35	Mallard Court	From: Hwy-19 N To: End of (C-35)
656	Rawls Mill Pond Road	From: Hwy 21 To: S-246
359	Sunshine Circle	From: S-1973 To: End
360	Oakbrook Drive	From: S-1973 To: End
34	Mixon Road	From: Old Friar To: End of (C-34)
561	Kedron Church Road	From: End of State Maintenance To: Wire Rd.
1098	Broadway St.	From: Dry Branch Rd (S-504) To: End
489	Archie Ware Road	From: Mt. Calvary To: One mile mark
609	Bagwell Road	From: Blue Poppy Road To: Nazarene Rd.
327	Greenbush Road	From: Hwy 302 To: For .40 miles
800	Oak Ridge Club Road	From: C-795 To: C-576
506	Wimpy Road	From: US-78 To: S-113
621	Holder Road	From: SC-39 To: Dam
924	Hoover Road	From: Rocky Grove (S-271) To: Warner Rd. (S-111)
880	Otis Baughman Sr. Rd.	From: S-14 To: S-1776
652	Shadow Lane Road	From: SC-302 To: SC-39
750	Bodie Road	From: Camp Rawls Rd. (S-75) To: Flowing Wells (S-264)

* In the event certain of the above County road projects may not be accomplished for any reason, those paving projects listed at Section IV (E) hereof may be undertaken in the order to be determined by County Council.

- \$2,000,000 for permissible capital projects in connection with brownfield restoration in Horse Creek Valley area (such as Clearwater Finishing Plant, Seminole Mill, etc.);
- \$750,000 for connector roads to Dougherty Road and for engineering and planning on the Whiskey Road/Silver Bluff connector road;
- \$2,000,000 for public infrastructure improvements in connection with the Palmetto Parkway Phase II;
- \$2,000,000 for capital renovations, repairs and construction of the following:
 1. \$600,000 Aiken County Historical Museum

- 2. \$1,145,000 Aiken County Main Library, Nancy Carson Branch Library, New Ellenton Branch Library, Wagener Branch Library and Midland Valley Branch Library
- 3. \$255,000 Aiken County Judicial Center
- \$5,500,000 for Recreation and Open Space Preservation as follows:
 - 1. \$1,500,000 for capital renovations of existing recreational parks
 - 2. \$1,500,000 for additional capital development of Langley Pond Park
 - 3. \$1,000,000 for greenway and open space land purchase and development
 - 4. \$1,500,000 for construction of a regional recreational park
- \$1,750,000 Drainage Projects as follows:
 - 1. \$643,500 Athol Project
 - 2. \$70,200 Vanderbilt/College Acres
 - 3. \$374,400 Audubon Project
 - 4. \$175,500 Woodwardia Project
 - 5. \$58,500 Hunters Glen Project
 - 6. \$177,900 Hitchcock Woods Project
 - 7. \$250,000 Kalmia Hills Project
- \$12,000,000 for the construction of a new County Office Complex;
- \$500,000 for the construction of a publicly-owned Child Advocacy Center.

III. The next \$2,000,000 collected under the Capital Project Sales and Use Tax shall be distributed, as received, to the City of Aiken for further construction and capital improvements of a Northside recreational park.

IV. The next \$10,325,855 collected under the Capital Project Sales and Use Tax shall be distributed proportionally, as received, among the following eight jurisdictions in the percentages shown: The Town of Burnetttown (0.968%), the Town of Jackson (0.242%), the Town of Monetta (0.242%), the City of New Ellenton (2.905%), the Town of Perry (0.149%), the Town of Salley (0.271%), the Town of Wagener (2.436%), and Aiken County (92.787%) for the following projects:

- A. \$100,000 for the Town of Burnetttown to purchase and renovate a building for a new museum specific to the history of the Midland Valley area.
- B. \$300,000 for sewer line expansion for the City of New Ellenton.
- C. \$15,355 for a lighting project in the Town of Perry.
- D. \$25,000 to pave the parking lot at the Town of Jackson Municipal Complex.
- E. \$9,581,000 for additional County Roads to be paved as follows in the order to be determined by County Council:

Road		
<u>No.</u>	<u>Road Name:</u>	<u>Portion:</u>
491	Fire Tower	From: SC-78 To: S-113
434	Cassel Street Ext.	From: Jackson Rd.(C-434) To: S-1332
243	Roundtree Road	From: Hwy 125 To: Hwy 125
93	Ella Quiller Road	From: Breezy Hill Rd. To: Old Cherokee Road
555	Old Kimball Trail	From: US-1 To: Jordon Road (C-2510)
267	Wilds Ave	From: Spalding Dr. To: Brooks Ave.
265	Griggs Street	From: Brooks Ave. To: Wilds Ave.
266	Elon Street	From: Brooks Ave. To: Wilds Ave.
271	Meares Street	From: Wilds Ave. To: Murrah Ave.
279	Williams Lane	From: Hwy 19 To: End of C-279
671	Cline Taylor Road	From: Browns Pond Road (C-683) To: SC 113
1091	Brayboy Road	From: SC 278 To: End
982	Farrell Street	From: Charles Road To: End

55	Fir Street	From: Cherokee Dr. To: End
539	Reedy Fork Road	From: Piper Road To: Morris Road
275	Elbert Street	From: Spaulding Drive To: Dougherty Road
828	Richburg Villa	From: C-829 To: S-270
487	North Street	From: Washington Dr. To: End
249	Colt Road	From: Piney Heights Rd. To: End
1002	Friendly Lane	From: Blanchard Rd. To: End
545	Shiloh Estates Road	From: Shiloh Church Rd. To: End
269	Short Street	From: Murrah Ave. To: Wilds Ave.
867	Crim Hydrick Road	From: Hwy 302 To: Collum Pond Road
237	Saddle Soap Lane	From: Horse Creek Road To: End of C-237
1164	Old Martintown Road	From: Barton Road To: Fleetwood Drive
694	Hutto Pond Road	From: S-49 To: C-699
521	Dusk Trail Road	From: US-1 To: Mt. Pleasant Road (S-25)
698	Holley Road	From: Ready Rd. To: Indian Trail Road
861	Springflower	From: Holiness Rd. (S-51) To: Shadow Lane (C-652)
652	Shadow Lane	From: Hwy 302 To: Springflower Road (C-861)
837	Bussey Road	From: Mt. Beulah Rd. To: US 78

- F. \$251,500 for the following projects within the Town of Wagener, which projects shall be completed in the order determined by the Wagener Town Council:
- \$137,500 to replace or repair Town sidewalks as needed;
 - \$57,000 to replace Town water line from Hwy 39 to South Busbee Street and Hwy 302;
 - \$14,500 to purchase a camera system to inspect Town sewer lines;
 - \$12,500 to purchase a new radio system for the Town police department;
 - \$15,000 to pave the driveway for the fire department;
 - \$15,000 to purchase new reporting software for the Town police department.
- G. \$25,000 for the Town of Monetta for repairs and upgrades to the Town's water system.
- H. \$28,000 for the Town of Salley to purchase a new police car and equipment and to purchase a new copier for Town Hall.

TOTAL COST OF ALL CAPITAL PROJECTS: \$114,412,985

YES
NO

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS.

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

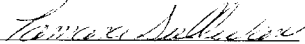
Council finds that the said Referendum was duly and properly held and conducted in accordance with all applicable constitutional and statutory requirements.

3. The said Referendum resulted favorably on the question of the reimposition of a one percent sales and use tax in Aiken County for not more than seven years to raise the sum of \$114,412,985 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 33,015 in favor of the question and 22,334 votes in opposition to the question. Council accordingly hereby declares that the Referendum resulted favorably on the question of the reimposition of a one percent sales and use tax in Aiken County for not more than seven years to raise the amount of \$114,412,985 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 04-7-12, 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.

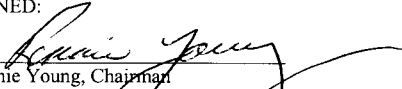
Adopted at the regular meeting of Aiken County Council on August 16, 2005.

ATTEST:



Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

SIGNED:



Ronnie Young, Chairman

COUNCIL VOTE: Unanimous