

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
PROCLAMATION 2022-03**

**A PROCLAMATION HONORING MS. BRENDA LEE, OCONEE COUNTY
BOOK MOBILE AND OUTREACH MANAGER UPON HER RETIREMENT**

WHEREAS, Ms. Brenda P. Lee, a resident of Salem, South Carolina, began working as a full-time, County employee on January 26, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lee served as a Circulation Desk Coordinator, Bookmobile Manager, and then Bookmobile and Outreach Services Manager; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lee has worked with a diverse range of people and provided courteous and compassionate service to library users, volunteers, and fellow staff; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lee distinguished herself as a hard-working and dedicated public servant, helping to expand the reach of library services beyond the brick-and-mortar buildings and provide services to those who could not easily travel to Oconee County Public Library (OCPL) locations; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lee served as an ambassador of the library system at Christmas parades, community fairs, school literacy nights, and many other events; and

WHEREAS, her colleagues know her as a kind, dependable co-worker and friend, and her patrons know her as the friendly “face of the library,” often being the one with whom they most interact of all County employees; and

WHEREAS, after twenty-four years of service to the citizens of Oconee County, Ms. Lee retired on March 24, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Oconee County Council, do hereby recognize and express our sincere gratitude for Ms. Lee’s dedication and commitment to the County and congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of April, 2022.

OCONEE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

John Elliott, Chairman of County Council
Oconee County, South Carolina

Attest: _____
Jennifer Adams, Clerk to County Council
Oconee County, South Carolina

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
ORDINANCE 2022-09**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 32, ARTICLE V, OF
THE OCONEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES
GOVERNING GROUP RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS.

WHEREAS, consistent with the powers granted county governments by S.C. Code § 4-9-25 and S.C. Code § 4-9-30, Oconee County (“County”) a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, acting by and through its governing body, the Oconee County Council (the “County Council”), has the authority to enact regulations, resolutions, and ordinances, not inconsistent with the Constitution and the general law of the State of South Carolina, including the exercise of such powers in relation to health and order within its boundaries and respecting any subject as appears to it necessary and proper for the security, general welfare, and convenience of the County or for preserving health, peace, order, and good government therein;

WHEREAS, the County has adopted multiple ordinances for the effective, efficient governance of the County, which, subsequent to adoption, are codified in the Oconee County Code of Ordinances (the “Code of Ordinances”), as amended;

WHEREAS, the County is authorized by Section 4-9-30(9) and Chapter 29 of Title 6 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, among other sources, to impose land use restrictions and development standards in the unincorporated areas of the County; and

WHEREAS, County Council recognizes that there is a need to revise the law of the County to meet the changing needs of the County and that there is a need to amend Chapter 32, Article V “Group Residential Developments,” in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and to affirm and preserve all other provisions of the Code of Ordinances not specifically, or by implication, amended hereby.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained by the Oconee County Council, in meeting duly assembled, that:

1. Chapter 32, Article V “Group Residential Developments,” of the Code of Ordinances is hereby revised, rewritten, and amended to read as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a version of Chapter 32, Article V, showing the changes made hereby to the prior ordinance; it is for illustrative purposes only, and shall not be codified.

2. Should any part or provision of this Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the rest and remainder of this Ordinance, all of which is hereby deemed separable.

3. All ordinances, orders, resolutions, and actions of County Council inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency only, hereby repealed, revoked, and rescinded. Nothing contained herein, or in the attachment hereto, shall cancel, void, or revoke, or shall be interpreted as cancelling, voiding, or revoking, *ex post facto*, in any regard any prior performance

standard, zoning or rezoning acts, actions, or decisions of the County or County Council based thereon, which were valid and legal at the time in effect and undertaken pursuant thereto, in any regard.

4. All other terms, provisions, and parts of the Code of Ordinances not amended hereby, directly or by implication, shall remain in full force.

5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after third reading and enactment by County Council.

ORDAINED in meeting, duly assembled, this ____ day of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Oconee County Council

John Elliott
Chair, Oconee County Council

First Reading: March 15, 2022
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____
Public Hearing: _____

EXHIBIT A

- CODE OF ORDINANCES
Chapter 32 - UNIFIED PERFORMANCE STANDARDS
ARTICLE V. GROUP RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

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Sec. 32-171. Authority of article provisions.

The regulations of this article are enacted pursuant to S.C. Code 1976, § 6-29-310, et seq.

Sec. 32-172. Purpose of article.

The regulations of this article are intended to lessen the adverse impact of large-scale group residential development on neighboring residential areas and to ensure the health, safety and general welfare of residents and citizens of the county.

Sec. 32-173. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Board means the board of zoning appeals (BZA), as defined in section 32-5.

Exempted residential facility means recreational summer camps, day facilities, and religious retreat facilities, any of which do not provide for long-term stays of 30 days or more. Hospitals and nursing homes are exempted from the requirements of this article.

Group residential facility means a public, private, or not-for-profit facility, which (i) provides a community living environment for individuals, whether or not disabled under applicable law, requiring custodial care, medical or therapeutic treatment, or specialized social services and (ii) houses ten or more persons not related by blood, marriage, or adoption in a residential or dormitory environment for a period of 30 days or more per year. Residential treatment centers (RTCs) are included in this definition. Proposed group residential facilities must show compliance with all applicable requirements of the state of South Carolina.

Sec. 32-174. Group residential facilities permitted by special exception.

Persons desiring to build or expand a group residential facility as defined by this article shall make an application through the planning director, or designee, to the board providing information required by this article. Development or expansion of a group residential facility may commence only with the approval of the board as a special exception after a public hearing in accordance with section 32-5.

Sec. 32-175. Review of application by planning director, or designee.

All applications for development or expansion of residential group facilities must be submitted to the county planning director, or designee for review. Applications must be complete and shall include all of the materials and information required by this article (application requirements and sketch plan and preliminary development plans) and must meet all applicable requirements and/or conditions in this article before an application will be processed. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant. The planning director, or designee shall refer completed applications to the board for final review and approval as a special exception. The planning director, or designee shall act upon applications within 30 days of receipt, returning them for cause, or forwarding them to the board for further action.

Sec. 32-176. Public hearing and approval by the board.

The board shall conduct a public hearing and shall review applications for compliance with the provisions of this article, in particular with section 32-180, board criteria for granting a special exception and general criteria for special exceptions in article I of this chapter. Development or expansion may proceed only as approved by the board. Any changes in development or expansion plans as approved by the board shall require a new application.

Sec. 32-177. Appeals.

Whenever there is an alleged error by the planning director, or designee in an order, requirement, decision, or determination, an applicant may request a hearing before the board in accordance with the provisions of section 32-5. Appeals of the decisions of the board may be made to the county circuit court in accordance with the provisions of section 32-5. Appeal hearings shall be advertised and reasonable fees may be charged in accordance with article I of this chapter. Appeals of the decisions of County Council may be made to the county circuit court in accordance with the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Sec. 32-178. Application requirements.

Applications for development or expansion of group residential facilities must include the following:

- (1) A complete description of the name and purpose of the proposed facility;
- (2) A complete list of the names, addresses, and phone numbers of board members, owners and investors, as applicable;
- (3) A copy of a license or application for a license to the state department of social services to operate a group facility;
- (4) State tax identification number or tax exemption certification; and
- (5) Two copies of a preliminary development plans and a sketch plan displaying the physical and relative layout of the facility as outlined by section 32-179.

Sec. 32-179. Sketch plan and preliminary development plans.

A sketch and development plan will be required for all proposed group residential developments. The sketch plan shall be drawn at an approximate scale of not less than a scale of 200 feet to one inch and shall include a vicinity map at a scale of not less than two miles to one inch showing the relationship of the proposed development to the surrounding areas. The planning director, or designee may waive some of the following sketch plan elements on applications for minor modifications and additions to existing facilities; otherwise, all sketch plan submittals shall include the following in sketch and narrative form:

- (1) An accounting of total acreage in the tract and any proposed subdivision of parcels;
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- (6) Map scale, north arrow, and date;
- (7) Name/address/telephone number of legal owner or agent and the professional (surveyor or engineer) who will undertake detailed layout and improvements design;
- (8) Location of watercourses and land subject to flooding based on a 100-year frequency flood;
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- (12) The owner/developer shall submit a sketch plan of this entire tract even though the subdivider's present plans call for the actual development of only a part of the property.

Sec. 32-180. Board criteria for granting a special exception.

The board criteria for granting a special exception shall be as follows:

- (1) Traffic flow from the facility shall not present a danger to local residents, motorists and pedestrians.
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- (5) The proposed development is in compliance with the other provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 32-181. Reasonable Accommodation Requests.

Oconee County Council is authorized to grant reasonable accommodations under the Federal Fair Housing Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the South Carolina Fair Housing Law, as amended, under the circumstances set forth in this section.

Any person who requires a reasonable accommodation, because of a disability, in the application of a land use or zoning law, rule, policy, or practice that may be acting as a barrier to equal opportunity to housing opportunities, or any person or persons acting on behalf of or for the benefit of such a person, may request such accommodation.

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No filing fee shall be required for the application.

County Council shall consider the proposed reasonable accommodation and shall decide the request upon a majority vote of the members present.

County Council shall grant a reasonable accommodation in relation to any provision of this article and related law, if County Council finds that the applicant has demonstrated, by the greater weight of the evidence, that the proposed reasonable accommodation is both reasonable and necessary, in accordance with applicable law and the following:

(1) “Reasonable”: an accommodation will be determined to be reasonable if it would not undermine the legitimate purposes and effects of existing land use or zoning regulations, and if it will not impose significant financial and administrative burdens upon the County and/or constitute a substantial or fundamental alteration of the County’s zoning or land use ordinance provisions; and

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Building permits and certificate of occupancy shall not be issued until or unless authorized by the planning director, or designee and the proposed development is in compliance with the requirements of this article and the standard building codes as adopted by the county.

Secs. 32-183—32-210. Reserved.

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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
ORDINANCE 2022-10**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 40, ARTICLE V, OF
THE OCONEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED
“PROTECTION OF HISTORICAL MEMORIALS.”

WHEREAS, consistent with the powers granted county governments by S.C. Code § 4-9-25 and S.C. Code § 4-9-30, Oconee County (“County”) a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, acting by and through its governing body, the Oconee County Council (“County Council”), has the authority to enact regulations, resolutions, and ordinances, not inconsistent with the Constitution and the general law of the State of South Carolina, including the exercise of such powers relating to health and order within its boundaries and respecting any subject as appears to it necessary and proper for the security, general welfare, and convenience of the County or for preserving health, peace, order, and good government therein;

WHEREAS, the County has adopted multiple ordinances for the effective, efficient governance of the County, which, subsequent to adoption, are codified in the Oconee County Code of Ordinances (the “Code of Ordinances”), as amended;

WHEREAS, County Council recognizes that there is a need to revise and supplement the law of the County to meet the changing needs of the County and that there is a need to amend Chapter 40, Article V “Protection of Historical Memorials,” in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and to affirm and preserve all other provisions of the Code of Ordinances not specifically, or by implication, amended hereby.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained by the Oconee County Council, in meeting duly assembled, that:

1. Chapter 40, Article V “Protection of Historical Memorials,” of the Code of Ordinances is hereby revised, rewritten, and amended to read as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a version of Chapter 40, Article V, showing the changes made hereby to the prior ordinance; it is for illustrative purposes only, and shall not be codified.
2. Should any part or provision of this Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the rest and remainder of this Ordinance, all of which is hereby deemed separable.
3. All ordinances, orders, resolutions, and actions of County Council inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency only, hereby repealed, revoked, and rescinded.
4. All other terms, provisions, and parts of the Code of Ordinances not amended hereby, directly or by implication, shall remain in full force.
5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after third reading and

enactment by County Council.

ORDAINED in meeting, duly assembled, this ____ day of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Oconee County Council

John Elliott
Chair, Oconee County Council

First Reading: March 15, 2022
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____
Public Hearing: _____

EXHIBIT A

- CODE OF ORDINANCES
Chapter 40 - CULTURAL AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
ARTICLE V. PROTECTION OF HISTORICAL MEMORIALS

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Sec. 40-101. Purpose.

It is the purpose of this article to facilitate the preservation of historical memorials, as defined below, which are located within the unincorporated boundaries of Oconee County, South Carolina.

Sec. 40-102. Scope.

- (a) "Historical memorial" is defined as any marker, monument, memorial, tombstone, or plaque that commemorates a political, cultural, military, or societal event, person(s), or artifact of historical significance.
- (b) The following acts are strictly prohibited: climbing on, attaching oneself to, attaching anything to, defacing, damaging, removing, or altering in any way without the express permission of the owner thereof, any Historical Memorial located within the unincorporated boundaries of Oconee County, South Carolina.
- (c) This article applies only to Historical Memorials located on property that is publicly owned, operated, or controlled, including roadways and related easement premises.

Sec. 40-103. Enforcement.

Any person who violates the provisions of this article V shall be subject to the penalties established in section 1-7 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances, to include fines and imprisonment in an amount not to exceed the jurisdictional limits granted to a magistrate court in the County under South Carolina Law.

EXHIBIT B

- CODE OF ORDINANCES
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- (b) The following acts are strictly prohibited: climbing on, attaching oneself to, attaching anything to, defacing, damaging, removing, or altering in any way without the express permission of the owner thereof, any historical memorial located within the unincorporated boundaries of Oconee County, South Carolina.
- (c) This article applies only to Historical Memorials located on property that is publicly owned, operated, or controlled, including roadways and related easement premises ~~(collectively "public property")~~.
- ~~(d) The Oconee County Arts and Historical Commission is hereby directed to develop a comprehensive list of historical memorials located on Public Property in Oconee County. This list, along with a statement of the criteria used to determine applicable historical memorials, shall be presented to county council for review and adoption as appendix A hereto [by reference], and it shall then constitute the definitive list of historical memorials to which this chapter shall apply.~~

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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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ORDINANCE 2022-11**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RECONVEYANCE BY OCONEE COUNTY OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY PREVIOUSLY TRANSFERRED TO OCONEE COUNTY BY THE FOXWOOD HILLS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, Oconee County, South Carolina (the “County”), a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, is authorized by the provisions of Title 4, Chapter 9 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, to acquire and convey real property;

WHEREAS, Foxwood Hills Property Owners Association (the “Company”) previously transferred to County, for nominal consideration, certain real property containing approximately 0.860 acres, more or less (the “Tract”), as further and more specifically described on and in Exhibit A attached hereto;

WHEREAS, The Company has notified the County that it inadvertently transferred the Tract to the County and requests reconveyance of the Tract; and

WHEREAS, the County has no current need for the Tract and desires to reconvey it to the Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by Oconee County Council, in meeting duly assembled, that:

1. Oconee County hereby agrees to reconvey the Tract, in return for the nominal consideration previously paid by the County.
2. The Oconee County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to reconvey the Tract to the Company and to complete all other actions necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.
3. Should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the remaining terms and provisions of this Ordinance, all of which are hereby deemed separable.
4. All ordinances, orders, resolutions, and enactments of Oconee County Council inconsistent herewith are to the extent of such inconsistency only, hereby repealed, revoked, and rescinded.

5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect after three readings, a public hearing, and enactment by Oconee County Council.

ORDAINED in meeting, duly assembled, this _____ day of _____, 2022.

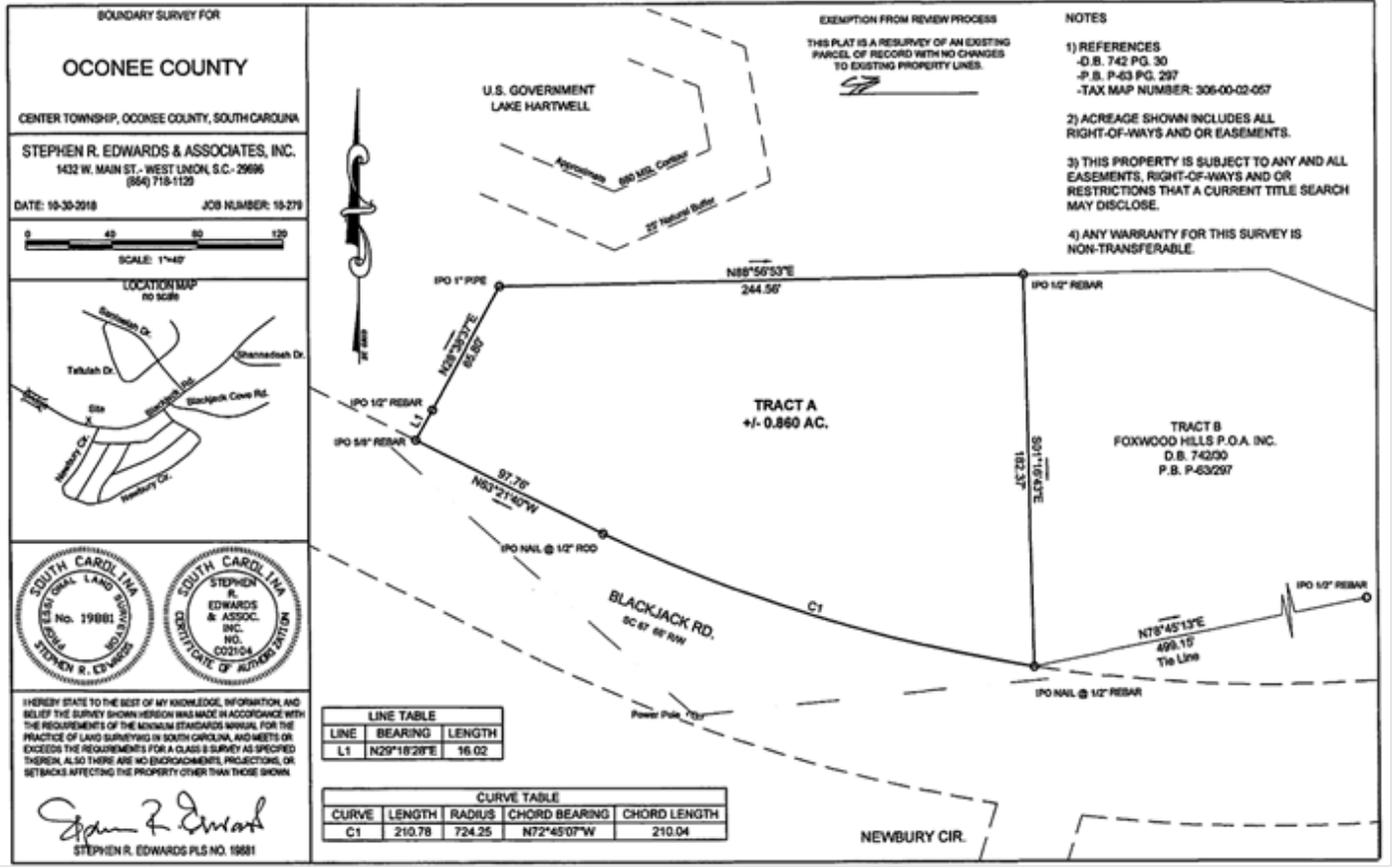
ATTEST:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Oconee County Council

John Elliott
Chair, Oconee County Council

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____
Public Hearing: _____

Exhibit A



**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
ORDINANCE 2022-12**

AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE 2022-07, WHICH APPROPRIATED AND AUTHORIZED THE EXPENDITURE OF \$1,710,000 OF LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDING RECEIVED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (“ARPA”) FOR PURPOSES OF PROVIDING PREMIUM PAY TO ELIGIBLE COUNTY EMPLOYEES, BY APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$276,632, SO THAT THE PREMIUM PAY APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE NOW TOTALS \$1,986,632; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, in order to fulfill the intent of Ordinance 2022-07, a copy of which is attached hereto, which appropriated and authorized the expenditure of \$1,710,000 of ARPA funding for Premium Pay to eligible Oconee County employees (“County Premium Pay”), an additional \$276,632.00 is needed;

WHEREAS, Council therefore desires to augment Ordinance 2022-07 by supplementing the amount of County ARPA funding previously appropriated and authorized for County Premium Pay expenditure to achieve the foregoing.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Oconee County Council in meeting duly assembled that:

Section 1. Appropriation. An additional Two Hundred and Seventy-Six Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-Two and 00/100 (\$276,632.00) Dollars of County ARPA Funds are hereby appropriated and set aside for County Premium Pay.

Section 2. Expenditures. The expenditure of funds appropriated out of County APRA Funds for County Premium Pay is approved in an additional amount of Two Hundred and Seventy-Six Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-Two and 00/100 (\$276,632.00) Dollars, subject to the following conditions:

- a) This appropriation and expenditure authorization only applies to available County ARPA Funds that have been received by the County from the United States Department of Treasury and which have not been otherwise appropriated.
- b) All federal requirements, specifically including applicable regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Treasury, shall be strictly adhered to in the administration of these funds.
- c) County Premium Pay will be awarded to eligible County employees based on actual hours worked and the nature of the work performed.
- d) County reserves the right to discontinue the expenditure of funding appropriated for County Premium Pay at any time based on: (1) emergency or exigent circumstances; (2) lack of available funds; (3) County Premium Pay being deemed an impermissible use of County ARPA Funds, in whole or part, under

ARPA, Department of Treasury regulations, or other binding legal authority; or (4) for convenience.

Section 3. No Agreement. Nothing in this Ordinance, or any supporting documents, shall constitute a contract of employment between the County and any employee.

Section 4. Severability. Should any term, provision, or content of this Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 5. General Repeal. All ordinances, orders, resolutions, and actions of the Oconee County Council inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency only, hereby repealed, revoked, and superseded. Ordinance 2022-07 is not repealed, but is supplemented hereby.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective and be in full force from and after public hearing and third reading in accordance with the Code of Ordinances of Oconee County, South Carolina.

ORDAINED in meeting, duly assembled, this ____ of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Oconee County Council

John Elliott
Chair, Oconee County Council

First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____
Third Reading: _____
Public Hearing: _____

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE
ORDINANCE 2022-07**

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AND AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF A PORTION OF LOCAL CORONAVIRUS FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDING UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (“ARPA”) FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING “PREMIUM PAY” TO ELIGIBLE OCONEE COUNTY EMPLOYEES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) is a respiratory disease that has caused severe illness and death by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus previously unidentified in humans and which can spread from person to person;

WHEREAS, recent numbers posted on the COVID Data Tracker website for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention show that over 68 million Americans have been infected with COVID 19, and more than 850,000 deaths have resulted;

WHEREAS, COVID 19 has disrupted nearly every facet of American life, affecting families, schools, communities, and businesses in profound and unprecedented ways;

WHEREAS, the negative financial impact of COVID 19 on American society has been experienced in a variety of ways, including food and housing insecurity, business closures, job loss and long term unemployment, and a widespread want of opportunity;

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 crisis, local governments were at the forefront of the response, addressing untold numbers and types of emergencies and exigencies;

WHEREAS, local governments remain uniquely positioned to take a leadership role in the recovery effort;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) was signed into law by the President of the United States;

WHEREAS, among other things, ARPA established the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (“Fiscal Recovery Fund”), which provides for direct aid to counties and municipalities to support their efforts in combating the impact of COVID-19 on their communities, residents, and businesses;

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Recovery Fund provides local governments, including Oconee County (“County”), with significant monetary resources, purposed to assist in responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency;

WHEREAS, financial assistance received by local governments through the Fiscal Recovery Fund may be used in several different ways, including but not limited to: (1) generally responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; (2) providing premium pay to eligible workers; (3) replacing lost public sector revenue; and (4) making necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the County has been allocated Fifteen Million, Four Hundred Fifty Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight, and 00/100 (\$15,450,878.00) Dollars, to be received in two equal installments, one of which has been received (collectively “County ARPA Funds”);

WHEREAS, ARPA allows for the payment of “Premium Pay” to eligible workers who performed essential work during the COVID 19 public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to compensate its eligible employees for the essential and often heroic work they performed during these tremendously difficult times, with such compensation not to exceed, collectively, One Million, Seven Hundred and Ten Thousand, and 00/100 (\$1,710,000.00) Dollars of County ARPA Funds (“County Premium Pay”).

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Oconee County Council in meeting duly assembled that:

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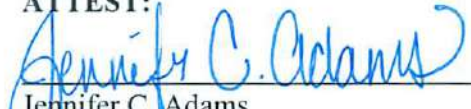
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ORDAINED in meeting, duly assembled, this 1st of March, 2022.

ATTEST:


Jennifer C. Adams
Clerk to Oconee County Council


John Elliott
Chair, Oconee County Council

First Reading: February 01, 2022
Second Reading: February 15, 2022
Third Reading: March 01, 2022
Public Hearing: March 01, 2022



March 31, 2022

Amanda Brock, County Administrator
Oconee County, South Carolina
415 South Pine Street
Walhalla, South Carolina 29691
Via email: abrock@oconeesc.com

Re: Fair Play/I-85 Sewer Project
Oconee County, South Carolina

Ms. Brock,

Our office has had some recent discussions with Chris Eleazer, Executive Director of the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority (OJRSA), about improving their practices for managing and accounting for the payments associated with EDA Federal Grant Award 04-79-07358 and RIA R-19-2040. At different times during the grant period, the timeframe for approving funds for payments has delayed progress on this project. It is an EDA requirement expenses associated with this project must be paid in advance of the grant reimbursement.

To facilitate timely progress and satisfy grants partners requirements we would support any efforts that would ensure the funds designated to OJRSA are made available for prompt payment to facilitate progress on the completion of this project.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate contact me.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Pelissier
Executive Director

cc: Chris Eleazer, OJRSA (via chris.eleazer@ojrsa.org)

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Mark A. Payne, CPA
Jason S. White, CPA/PFS, CFP
Christian J. Schmutz, CPA

Dear Chris,

April 1, 2022

Per our discussion – from an audit standpoint, it would be best to have all costs related to the project paid by OJRSA.

If some of the funding for these costs are coming from another source, it would be best to have the funding deposited into OJRSA accounts and paid to the contractor/engineer, etc. from there.

Sincerely,

Jason S White, CPA/PFS, CFP®, ABV, CFE, CKA®

PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

IN RE: Oconee County 2022 Meetings

BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named, This day personally came before me, Hal Welch, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that he is the General Manager of **THE JOURNAL**, a newspaper published Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in **Oconee County, Pickens County** and the Pendleton area of **Anderson County** and the notice (of which the annexed is a true copy) was inserted in said papers on 01/08/2022 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.



Hal Welch
General Manager



Jessica Wells
Notary Public
State of South Carolina
My Commission Expires November 13, 2030

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
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OCONEE CODE OF ORDINANCES

Sec. 2-61. - Access to and conduct at county meetings, facilities and property.

(a) *Purpose.* The county council has determined that it is necessary to regulate access to county facilities, grounds and property in order to ensure the safety and security of the public who visit these areas or the county employees who serve them. The conduct of persons who visit county facilities and/or who have contact with county employees must also be regulated to preserve public order, peace and safety. The regulation of access and conduct must be balanced with the right of the public to have reasonable access to public facilities and to receive friendly, professional service from county employees. These regulations apply to all county facilities and meetings, as defined below, for and over which county council exercises control and regulation, and to the extent, only, not pre-empted by state or federal law.

(b) *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Facility means any building, structure, or real property owned, leased, rented, operated or occupied by the county or one of its departments, offices or agencies.

Meeting means any assemblage of persons for the purpose of conducting county governmental business, operations or functions or any assemblage of persons within a county governmental facility. The term "meeting" includes, but is not limited to, county council meetings, county board and committee and staff meetings, trials, hearings and other proceedings conducted in the courts of general sessions and common pleas, family court, master-in-equity, probate court and magistrate's court; and other meetings by entities duly authorized by the county council.

(c) *Prohibited acts.* It shall be unlawful for any person to:

- (1) Utter loud, obscene, profane, threatening, disruptive or abusive language or to engage in any disorderly or disruptive conduct that impedes, disrupts or disturbs the orderly proceedings of any meeting, or operations of any department or function of the county government, including, without limitation, speaking when not explicitly recognized and authorized to do so by the presiding official in such meeting.
- (2) Bring, carry, or otherwise introduce any firearm, knife with blade longer than two inches or other dangerous weapon, concealed or not concealed, into any facility or meeting. This prohibition does not apply to law enforcement personnel or any other person whose official, governmental duties require them to carry such firearm, knife, or other weapon.
- (3) Engage in partisan political activity, including speech, in any meeting not authorized and called for the purpose of partisan political activity and explicitly authorized for such purpose in the facility in which such activity is to be conducted, or refusing to cease such activity when the presiding official of the meeting in question has ruled that the activity in question is partisan political activity and has directed that such activity stop.
- (4) Interfere with, impede, hinder or obstruct any county governmental official or employee in the performance of his duties, whether or not on county government property.
- (5) Enter any area of a county government facility, grounds or property when such entry is prohibited by signs, or obstructed or enclosed by gates, fencing or other physical barriers. Such areas include rooms if clearly marked with signs to prohibit unauthorized entry.
- (6) Enter by vehicle any area of a county governmental facility, grounds or property when such area is prohibited by signs or markings or are obstructed by physical barriers; or park a vehicle in such restricted areas; or park in a manner to block, partially block or impede the passage of traffic in driveways; or park within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or in a fire zone; or park in any area not designated as a parking space; or park in a handicapped parking space without proper placarding or license plate; or park in a reserved parking space without authorization.



Public Comment SIGN IN SHEET 6:00 PM

April 5, 2022

The Public Comment Sessions at this meeting is limited to a total of 40 minutes, 4 minutes per person. Please be advised that citizens not utilizing their full four [4] minutes may not "donate" their remaining time to another speaker.

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Everyone speaking before Council will be required to do so in a civil manner. Council will not tolerate personal attacks on individual council members, county staff or any person or group. Racial slurs will not be permitted. Council's number one priority is to conduct business for the citizens of this county. All citizens who wish to address Council and all Boards and Commission appointed by Council should do so in an appropriate manner.



2021 OCONEE COUNTY SERVICES

APPALACHIAN
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

The Appalachian Council of Governments is a multifaceted service organization for local governments, providing a range of services. We work in close collaboration with our community partners toward building a competitive economy and promoting healthy, livable communities that preserve our residents' quality of life.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Oconee County's annual investment in the Appalachian Council of Governments is \$38,993. The return on investment to Oconee County in 2021 was \$2,680,048 representing a return on investment ratio of \$68.73 on every \$1.



2021 RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Small Business and Entrepreneurial Loan Program	\$	95,000
Private Capital Leveraged		180,000
Senior Services		792,330
Transit Services		55,000
Transportation Improvement Program		1,250,000
Workforce Development		307,718
Total Funding into Oconee County		2,680,048
Annual County Contribution to ACOG		38,993
Return on County Investment (per dollar)	\$	68.73

SERVICES PROVIDED TO OCONEE COUNTY IN 2021

Each year, Oconee County invests in the Appalachian Council of Governments. In return, the ACOG commits to providing services to improve the quality of life through economic and community development, transportation planning, infrastructure development, resource management, senior advocacy, and workforce development as shown in the examples below.

GRANTS MAINTAINED

Walhalla Trail | **\$500,000 ARC**

Seneca Building Demolition | **\$500,000 CDBG**

OJRSA Sewer | **\$935,560 RIA & \$3,700,000 EDA**

Walhalla Water | **\$118,400 RIA & 473,000 EDA**

SENIOR ADVOCACY SERVICES PROVIDED

In-home help to **149** seniors

Assisted **2,204** seniors with navigating Medicare enrollment and options

\$65,079 in caregiver respite services

Answered **29** complaints resulting in the investigation of **18** cases regarding quality of care in long-term care facilities

60,130 hot, frozen, and shelf-stable meals delivered to **350** seniors

463 assessments of seniors for needed services

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

This year, the InfoMentum team assisted the Oconee Economic Alliance (OEA) through the use of the InfoMentum suite to enhance industrial recruitment efforts.

Responded to **32** data requests for Oconee County

GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Provided Management and Supervision Training sessions based on ICMA Course materials

Provided Harassment Training session for Oconee County departments over 3 days to cover all staff

Provided the City of Westminster with assistance in search for a new Police Chief

Provided information to regional administrators and managers on the American Rescue Plan Act through regional administrator's meetings

PLANNING SERVICES

Facilitated a Community Listening session held by Walhalla City Council to receive input on revitalization of Main Street and the downtown area.

\$1.25 million allocated to **2** intersection improvements at JP Stevens & Cherry Road near Seneca and SC 59 & SC 182 in Fair Play.

Reviewed **7** requests for 208 Water Quality Conformance on sewer projects in Oconee County.

Designated **\$55,000** for Oconee County DSN Board to purchase an ADA compliant van to serve clients

