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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF OCONEE

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

IN RE: Council 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 01/06/2023 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.

Hal Welch General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 01/06/2023

Jessica Wells

Notary Public

State of South Carolina

My Commission Expires November 13, 2030



LEGALS

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The Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Health, & Welfare Committee at 4:30 p.m. on the following



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The Transportation Committee at 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: February 21, May 16, July 18, & September 19, 2023.

The Real Estate, Facilities, & Land Management Committee at 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: March 21, June 6, August 15, & October 17, 2023.

The Planning & Economic Development Committee at 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: March 21, June 6, August 15, & October 17, 2023.

The Budget, Finance, & Administration Committee at 9:00 a.m. on the following dates: February 24 [Strategic Planning Retreat] & March 24 [Budget Workshop] and 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: March 7, April 18, & May 2, 2023.

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 preempted 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.

- (7) Use any county governmental facility, grounds or other property for any purpose not authorized by law or expressly permitted by officials responsible for the premises.
- (8) Enter without authorization or permission or refuse to leave any county governmental facility, grounds or other property after hours of operation.
- (9) Obstruct or impede passage within a building, grounds or other property of any county governmental facility.
- (10) Enter, without legal cause or good excuse, a county governmental facility, grounds or property after having been warned not to do so; or, having entered such property, fail and refuse without legal cause or good excuse to leave immediately upon being ordered or requested to do so by an official, employee, agent or representative responsible for premises.
- (11) Damage, deface, injure or attempt to damage, deface or injure a county governmental property, whether real property or otherwise.
- (12) Enter or attempt to enter any restricted or nonpublic ingress point or any restricted access area, or bypass or attempt to bypass the designated public entrance or security checkpoint of a facility without authorization or permission.
- (13) Perform any act which circumvents, disables or interferes with or attempts to circumvent, disable or interfere with a facility's security system, alarm system, camera system, door lock or other intrusion prevention or detection device. This includes, without limitation, opening, blocking open, or otherwise disabling an alarmed or locked door or other opening that would allow the entry of an unauthorized person into a facility or restricted access area of the facility.
- (14) Exit or attempt to exit a facility through an unauthorized egress point or alarmed door.
- (d) Penalty for violation of section. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished in accordance with section 1-7. In addition, vehicles that are improperly parked on any county property, facility, or other premises may be towed at the owner's expense.

(Ord. No. 2003-04, §§ 1-4, 4-15-2003; Ord. No. 2012-06, § 1, 4-3-2012)

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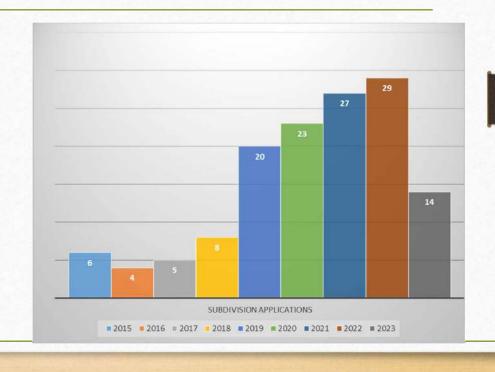
PLAT REVIEWS

Year	Plat Reviews
2015	50
2016	55
2017	105
2018	108
2019	119
2020	493
2021	539
2022	567
2023	267



SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS

Year	Subdivision Applications
2015	6
2016	4
2017	5
2018	8
2019	20
2020	23
2021	27
2022	29
2023	14



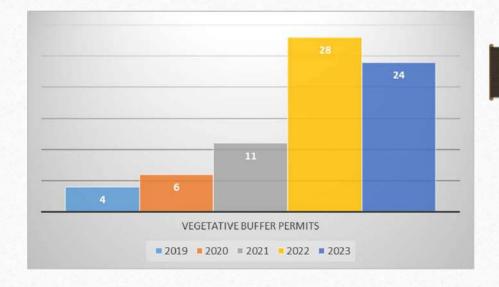
Variances and Special Exemptions

Year	Variances and Special Exemptions
2015	9
2016	13
2017	23
2018	11
2019	4
2020	8
2021	20
2022	23
2023	11



Buffer Permits

Year	Vegetative Buffer Permits
2019	4
2020	6
2021	11
2022	28
2023	24



Year to Date

• Plats

206

• June 5, 2022

June 5, 2023

Subdivisions

12

267

Variances

10

11

14

Buffer

4

24

Code Enforcement

• Cases Opened 2023: 31

• Cases Closed 2023:

• Structures Placarded: 20

• Cases remaining: 128



Oconee Economic Alliance Report 4th Quarter FY 2023

Business Development

2023 Inquiries, Leads and Projects

- 45 Inquiries
- 24 or 53% of the Inquiries became Leads
- 10 or 42% of the Leads became Projects
- Leads and Projects for 2023 represent the potential for the following:
 - √ \$4.8 billion in new capital investment
 - √ 9,063 new jobs
- 3 or 30% of the Projects have became Wins
- 56 Total OEA Active Leads and Projects
 - √ \$12 billion in new capital investment
 - √ 22,000 new jobs



Business Development

Inquiries, Leads and Projects Since March 17

- 22 Inquiries
- 17 or 77% of the Inquiries became Leads
- 5 or 29% of the Leads became Projects
- Leads and Projects since March 17 represent the potential for the following:
 - √ \$4.5 billion in new capital investment
 - √ 8,142 new jobs



Announced OEA Business Development Wins

BorgWarner

- Auburn Hills based manufacturer of automotive parts expanding its Seneca facility.
- Operation will supply holding systems for EV batteries.
- Capital investment of \$42.7 million.
- 122 new jobs.

Meyn America

- Netherlands-based manufacturer and distributor of poultry processing equipment.
- Company will build an 80,000 state-of-the-art distribution facility on 32 acres at OITP.
- Capital investment of \$10.8 million.
- 25 new jobs.
- Facility to open March 2024.

Iron Man

- West Coast based advanced manufacturer expanding its longstanding Oconee County operations.
- Project will be a new Center of Excellence for the company.
- Capital investment of \$28.8 million.
- 100 new jobs.







OEA Announced New and Expanding Industrial Projects FY 2013 to FY 2023

Year	Projects	Capital Investment	Jobs
FY 2013	2	\$7,000,000	105
FY 2014	5	\$74,300,000	299
FY 2015	3	\$21,830,000	84
FY 2016	4	\$84,200,000	144
FY 2017	1	\$0	56
FY 2018	3	\$95,100,000	238
FY 2019	1	\$10,000,000	0
FY 2020	1	\$10,000,000	0
FY 2021	1	\$40,800,000	50
FY 2022	2	\$24,500,000	64
FY 2023	4	\$112,000,000	462
Total	27	\$479,730,000	1,502

FY 2023 was the largest year for announced new investments and jobs over the past eleven years. During that time the average yearly new investment was \$36,773,000 and 137 new jobs.

[✓] New Investment in FY 2023 was \$75,227,000 or 205% higher than the prior ten year average and was \$16,900,000 or 18% higher than the second highest year (FY'18).

[✓] New Investment in FY 2023 represents 23% of overall new investments since FY 2013.

[✓] New Jobs in FY 2023 were 325 or 237% higher than the prior ten year average and were 163 or 55% higher than the second best year (FY '14).

[✓] New Jobs in FY 2023 represent 31% of overall new jobs since FY 2013.

Marketing

Engagement and Events

- Area Development Consultants Forum Greenville
- Upstate SC Site Consultants Familiarization Tour
- Oconee County Visit and Tour with Upstate Alliance Staff
- NextGen Talks Consultants Forum Denver
- Coffee Time on 94.1 The Lake

Website

Content and pictures being updated

OEA Videos

- Filming completed
- Features Tri-County Technical College, Oconee County Schools, Hamilton Career and Technology Center, BASF, BorgWarner, JTEKT and OEA

Site Selection Magazine – Upstate SC Intelligence Report

- July 2023 Issue
- Distribution to 112,000 c-suite executives, site selection consultants, industrial brokers, IAMC members and other decision-makers
- Ad designed in house







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Oconee County, South Carolina Top Shelf for Business

- Home to leading international companies in the automotive, metal fabrication, and plastic industries.
- A skilled and growing workforce of over 200,000 with 20% employment in manufacturing.
- Tri-County Technical College Oconee Campus is designed for manufacturing training with state-of-the-art- metal fabrication and injection molding machinery.
- Adjacent to Clemson University, a significant resource for research collaboration and talent recruitment.
- 540+ acres of due diligence completed County owned industrial land, including a 42 acre pad ready site off I-85.
- Aggressive incentives and low property taxes.









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Product Development

