

A meeting of the Neighborhood Associations was held on **June 20, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.** at City Hall in the Planning Department's first floor conference room, 1911 Boundary Street. In attendance were the Neighborhood Association Representatives and City Staff.

INTRODUCTIONS

Alice Howard, County Councilwoman, talked about the Housing Study.

DIGITAL CORRIDOR UPDATE AND POLLPIT PROJECT – STEPHEN MURRAY, COUNCILMEMBER

Councilman Murray described the Digital Corridor and said they have invited a students from the College of Charleston to work here. Their project is, "How Can we Use Technology to Communicate with Citizens". Carissa and Culley from PollPit, LLC, were present. They said the goal is more efficient communications between City Hall and community. Carissa said she hopes to tap into the silent majority. They are developing an app that citizens can use to make posts and the Mayor can respond. There are bots and moderators to control inappropriate posts. Also, things can be down voted. Moderators can remove the post. Can share to Facebook. Helps city prioritize issues. When you vote on an issue, you will be notified when the elected official responds. You need to be within a certain radius of City Hall to be able to vote; we have a developer working on this. A GoFund Me campaign will be done, too. Ms. Culley said if you vote, your name won't be shown. Resident asked, "how is this different from the Next-Door App"? Culley said this is more "impact" oriented. Also, you are able to communicate with your elected officials. This has no advertising. Mr. Murray said we might post agenda items to get comments. Culley said there will be an explanation about what the purpose of the app is; it is not the place to complain about a speeding ticket. Resident asked how you will set the expectation that this isn't the place to complain about every little issue. Resident said it might be good if the city guided the discussion (set the table).

Mr. Murray asked residents to please review the city budget.

Councilman Mike McFee said we are doing a 6-month review of the Beaufort Code with a first reading on June 26.

CITY FY 19 BUDGET – BILL PROKOP, CITY MANAGER

Mr. Prokop said we've had 8 hours of work sessions, public hearings, and a 1st reading. Budget is \$22,279,923. From Council Retreat: "where History, Charm and Business Thrive." SP + B = R. Roof repair on Arsenal maybe > \$200,000. When this is all done, it will likely cost >\$1 million. Our theme is "let's fix and maintain what we have before we start something new". Strategic Plan and Budget = Results. (SP + B = R)

Public Safety = #1 (PS=#1). Our crime has reduced 17% over past year based on FBI index. In the hot spots, we have been tracking, and crime has reduced 52%. Started United Community Task Force and now over 140 kids. Fastest negotiation he has ever seen in government between the County, schools & City. Now can use school ball fields and Greene Street gym. This has not cost the city any money. Resident said this has really pulled the community

together. Parks cost \$1.2 million/year to maintain. Waterfront Park is \$800,000/year. Budget is \$22,279, 923 and is a balanced budget. Overall budget increased 3.9%. 74.59 mils total city rate with a 2 mil reserve; 1 mil increases over current rate. The revenue would be used for grant matches and other unexpected items. In addition, \$30/year stormwater increase to everyone including nonprofits (except MCAS). Will likely be \$5 million bond. Could be spent over 10 years. Still waiting on \$400,000 reimbursement from FEMA. Resident said, "Thank You, this is the first time I remember the budget being explained".

CITY COMMUNICATIONS PLAN – REECE BERTHOLF, FIRE CHIEF

City Manager, Mr. Prokop, said last year we fell down on this issue. He said he asked the Fire Chief to take on the issue of communication. Peggy Simmer said she will be working with the Chief to communicate with neighborhoods. We need to publicize the good things we are doing, she said.

Chief Bertholf said we will be launching a Communications Plan on July 1. We will be using all avenues available. We would like to put a face and a name with our communications. Mr. Prokop is the face of the city. We have lost storytelling. Let us know when you are meeting so Mr. Prokop and I can come to your meetings, Chief Bertholf said. Want to go to at least 1 of your meetings/year. We want feedback on our communications. This is a 3-year plan.

SPANISH MOSS TRAIL EXTENSION – DEAN MOSS, FRIENDS OF THE SPANISH MOSS TRAIL

Dean Moss said the trail exists, but need to get the trail to downtown Beaufort; how do we do this? Mr. Moss gave a PowerPoint presentation. The Downtown Beaufort Connector is 1.2 mile, 10-foot wide, concrete path from historic downtown Beaufort to the Spanish Moss Trail. There are many benefits to developing a trail connection. The trail would start at Charles Street at base of the Bluff and then gradually rise to the edge of Bay Street from Harrington to Charles; parking on south side would be removed - about 53 spaces. These spaces are used generally for special events. We would replace them with 8-10' multipurpose trail. The Ribaut intersection of Depot Road was formalized. Mayor Keyserling suggested that at Hamar, trail move into NWQ and onto East West Streets. Also, connect to USCB, Post Office, and student housing on Boundary Street. Mr. Moss said we're still looking at dropping down to the marsh on Bay Street but would be having to use boardwalk and it's expensive. The city is very interested in how citizens feel about it. If constructed on the alignment we suggested, it would be one of the most iconic trails in the Country.

Rod Mattingly said we support getting neighborhoods downtown to the trail safely. Also, need to educate the people on how to use the trail since there are many types of users.

Resident asked if the trail could be phased; just do Depot section first. Mr. Moss said yes it could. Resident asked how do residents feel? Mr. Moss said we met with everyone on the Bluff so far. We are working our way to Depot. Resident asked if narrowing lanes is necessary. Mr. Moss said yes, in some areas. Resident asked are you doing cyclist education? Mr. Moss said not yet, but we need to. Resident asked where will bikes be stored? Mr. Moss said we will

need to get with the city to get more bikes racks. Mr. Moss said sharrows are symbols that are put on the road to indicate that bikes will be sharing the road. Resident said, "I would like to see some amenities on the trail such as restrooms. Also, would like a "pull off" at the Mather trestle at TCL.

NEWS FROM CITY STAFF AND STRATEGIC PARTNERS

City Public Works Department, Lamar Taylor, went over their projects:

- Southside Park Trail is complete and has passed inspections. A little bit of tweaking to do; but overall, its complete.
- Asphalt patching by our department is ongoing. Phase I handled Otter Circle in Battery Shores Subdivision. Phase II will start with Todd Drive at Spanish Point intersection and move around other areas of the city to assist with pot hole issues.
- Road paving from CTC funds has been awarded to Lane Construction. Some of the areas they will be paving in the upcoming months are: *Jericho Woods Subdivision; Stone Martin Subdivision; Charles Street Extension (from Boundary to Pigeon Point Park)*.
- Craven Street (from Carteret to Beaufort River) is a SC DOT street and they were awarded to Preferred to contract for paving here.
- The fuel tanks have been removed from the former Hess Station on Boundary Street (near the former United Way building), and that project is now completed.
- Public Works has assisted with the Mossy Oaks drainage issues by working with a surveyor, pulling tops on stormwater drains for their documentation, and while we are there our staff is cleaning out each drain as we go.
- Hurricane prep: sand bags are in; ordered additional sand; all equipment and vehicles have been checked for readiness. This will be on going throughout the hurricane season.

Resident said 400 block of East Street has potholes. Also, can DOT start to remove the construction signs from Carteret Street? Resident said it seems that the Boundary Street project is not complete in front of CARS. Resident mentioned Scott & North Street. Mr. Taylor said this is not the correct repair, but this has been backfilled by DOT. We will try to correct.

City Fire Department, Chief Reece Bertholf, said new fire station is progressing. We're busier now since we have moved out there.

City Police Department, Sgt. Phelan, said United Church is rededicating their church at 1801 Duke Street, on Friday, June 22, at 4:00 PM; public is welcome.

Building Codes, Bruce Skipper, said hurricane season is here. Check your insurance. Take advantage of the sandbags. We have a lot of big commercial projects underway.

Lise Sundrila talked about the new asked about the new Beaufort Area Hospitality Association.

City Planning Department, Libby Anderson, provided an update on the following current developments in May:

- 5 new single-family dwelling permits issued;
- Upfit at 705 Bay Street for a restaurant;
- Certificate of Occupancies issued for City Electric in Beaufort Industrial Village; and
- Verizon on Lady's Island;
- 123 Club will undergo a large renovation; and
- Beaufort Plaza existing shops will be getting a façade renovation.

Next Meeting is July 18, 2018

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.



Friends of the
SPANISH MOSS TRAIL

DOWNTOWN BEAUFORT CONNECTOR

- WHAT:** The Downtown Beaufort Connector is a 1.2-mile, 10-foot wide, concrete path from historic downtown Beaufort to the Spanish Moss Trail. The connector would begin on Bay/Charles Streets and extend to the central Depot Trailhead at the west end of Depot Road.
- WHY:** To safely link downtown Beaufort to the Spanish Moss Trail which connects to the Town of Port Royal, The Technical College of the Lowcountry, Beaufort Memorial Hospital, Beaufort Plaza, MCAS and beyond.
- WHO:** The connector would be owned and maintained by the City of Beaufort and be open year-round to the public
- WHEN:** Construction will begin when all funding and all permits are available
- COST:** Estimate: \$2 Million

THINGS TO KNOW

Design/Impact

- The parking lane will be removed (a couple dozen parking spaces).
- The new downtown connector will utilize this lane for a 10-foot wide, paved, recreational path.
- There will be a grass or low shrub separation between the connector and Bay Street/Depot Road.
- The connector will not impact the marsh.
- The final design will have to comply with storm water regulations before permits can be issued.

Funding

- As for any trail project, there are four potential sources of funding:
 - Private foundations
 - Local governmental funds
 - State/Federal funds
 - Private fundraising

Timing

- Before anything can happen, the community – and particularly the City of Beaufort – have to whole-heartily embrace this project. At this time, the City is in the middle of a number of expensive capital projects. This project will have to find its place in the queue.

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ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE CITY OF BEAUFORT FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2018 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2019; TO PROVIDE FOR EXECUTION OF AND TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE CONSOLIDATED BUDGET; AND TO PROVIDE BUDGETARY CONTROL OF THE CITY'S FISCAL AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of South Carolina, the City Manager is required to submit to the City Council a budget for the year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has prepared and presented such proposed budget to the Council, such budget available for inspection at the office of the Finance Director, and

WHEREAS, the consolidated budget contains the budgets of the General Fund, the Parks and Tourism Fund, the Stormwater Utility Fund, the State Accommodations Fund, and the Redevelopment Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the City of Beaufort, SC, in Council duly assembled, and by the authority of the same to provide for the levy of tax for corporate City of Beaufort for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019, to make appropriations for said purposes, and to provide for budgetary control of the City's fiscal affairs.

SECTION 1. TAX LEVY

The City Council of Beaufort, SC hereby appropriates the funds as detailed in Sections 3 and 4 of this Ordinance. Further, that the City Council of Beaufort, SC hereby establishes the millage rates as detailed in Section 2 of this Ordinance. However, the City Council of Beaufort, SC reserves the right to modify these millage rates by resolution at its August 14, 2018 meeting.

SECTION 2. MILLAGE

The Beaufort County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy the Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019 a tax of 74.59 mills on the dollar of assessed value of property within the City limits, in accordance with the laws of South Carolina. These taxes shall be collected by the Beaufort County Treasurer, as provided by law and distributed in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance and subsequent appropriations hereafter passed by the City Council of Beaufort, SC.

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|-------------------|-------|
| City Operations | 53.62 |
| City Debt Service | 18.97 |
| City Reserve Mil | 2.00 |

SECTION 3. CITY OPERATIONS APPROPRIATION

An amount of \$22,975,810 is appropriated to the City of Beaufort to fund City Operations as follows:

| | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|
| <u>General Fund</u> | |
| Non Departmental | \$ 138,279 |
| City Council | 159,001 |
| City Manager | 498,973 |
| Finance | 781,178 |
| Human Resources | 177,440 |
| Information Technology | 470,729 |
| Municipal Court | 526,806 |
| Planning | 909,922 |
| Police Operations | 4,041,005 |
| School Resource Officer | 281,501 |
| School Crossing Guards | 27,376 |
| Victims Rights | 83,503 |
| Beaufort Fire | 5,208,177 |
| Public Works | 417,354 |
| Streets & Traffic | 906,333 |
| Facilities Maintenance | 557,424 |
| Solid Waste | 736,067 |
| Debt Service | 1,739,254 |
| Total General Fund | <u>\$ 17,660,321</u> |
| <u>TIF II Fund</u> | <u>\$ 184,000</u> |
| <u>Parks & Tourism Fund</u> | |
| Police Operations | \$ 1,267,788 |
| Marina | 30,974 |
| Waterfront Park Operations | 476,135 |
| Waterfront Park Debt Service | 309,109 |
| Parking | 49,100 |
| Other Parks & Tourism | 936,089 |
| Other Downtown Operations | 312,205 |
| Tourism Marketing | 123,585 |
| Total Parks & Tourism Fund | <u>\$ 3,504,985</u> |
| <u>Stormwater Utility Fund</u> | |
| Stormwater Utility Operations | \$ 518,886 |
| Debt Service | 546,420 |
| Total Stormwater Utility Fund | <u>\$ 1,065,306</u> |
| <u>State Accomodations Fund</u> | |
| Police Operations | \$ 59,680 |
| Designated Marketing Organization | 157,293 |
| ATAX Grant Awards | 281,122 |
| Transfers out | 51,216 |
| Total State Accommodations Fund | <u>\$ 549,311</u> |
| <u>Redevelopment Fund</u> | <u>\$ 12,000</u> |
| Total Appropriations | <u><u>\$ 22,975,923</u></u> |

The detailed Operations budget containing line-item accounts by department is hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

Capital Project Appropriations shall not lapse at June 30, 2018, but each project appropriation shall remain in force for the life of the project and shall be closed out upon completion or other disposition of the project.

SECTION 4. CITY OPERATIONS REVENUE

The appropriations of the City Operations will be funded from the following revenue sources:

| | <u>Revenues</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|
| <u>General Fund</u> | |
| Property Taxes | \$ 7,028,088 |
| Licenses & Permits | 3,973,000 |
| Intergovernmental | 2,878,189 |
| Franchise Fees | 2,230,243 |
| Charges for Services | 1,067,316 |
| Fines & Forfeitures | 278,000 |
| Miscellaneous | 134,269 |
| Interest | 20,000 |
| Transfers In | 51,216 |
| Total General Fund | <u>\$ 17,660,321</u> |
| <u>Parks & Tourism Fund</u> | |
| Other Taxes | \$ 2,916,159 |
| Charges for Services | 588,826 |
| Total Parks & Tourism Fund | <u>\$ 3,504,985</u> |
| <u>Stormwater Utility Fund</u> | |
| Charges for Services | \$ 1,065,306 |
| Total Stormwater Utility Fund | <u>\$ 1,065,306</u> |
| <u>State Accommodations Fund</u> | |
| Other Taxes | \$ 549,311 |
| Total State Accommodations Fund | <u>\$ 549,311</u> |
| <u>Redevelopment Fund</u> | |
| Charges for Services | \$ 12,000 |
| Total Redevelopment Fund | <u>\$ 12,000</u> |
| Total Revenues | <u>\$ 22,791,923</u> |

SECTION 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF A MASTER FEE SCHEDULE

A Master Fee Schedule listing all fees charged by the City for Fiscal Year 2019 is included and incorporated for reference as Attachment A. Included in the Master Fee Schedule is the adoption of the increase in the Stormwater Utility Fee from \$105 to \$135.

SECTION 5. CITY DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATION

The revenue generated by an 18.97 mill levy is appropriated to defray the principal and interest payment on all City debt authorized to cover Capital expenditures.

SECTION 6. BUDGETARY ACCOUNT BREAKOUT

The foregoing City Operation appropriations have been detailed by the City Council into line-item accounts for each department. The detailed appropriation by account and budget narrative contained separately is hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. FY 2017-2018 ENCUMBRANCES AND REMAINING GRANT AUTHORIZATIONS REAPPROPRIATED, RECORDING OF ASSIGNMENTS OF AMOUNTS APPROPRIATED FROM FUND BALANCE.

Encumbrances in each fund at June 30, 2018, representing obligations made against 2017-2018 appropriations outstanding as of that date, are hereby reappropriated and the appropriations shall be distributed to the budgetary accounts under which the expenditures will be charged during the FY 2018-2019 budget year as such obligations are satisfied, provided that such encumbrances, when taken together with the FY 2017-2018 expenditures, do not cause any fund to exceed its budgetary authorization for the year ended June 30, 2018.

For each fund in which a reappropriation occurs, the amount of funds appropriated hereunder shall be established in that fund as "Assigned Fund Balance for Encumbrances."

For each fund in which the balanced budget for FY 2018-2019 includes the use of fund balance; the amount of the fund balance so used shall be identified as "Assigned for Current Appropriations."

Appropriations for grants, the authorization for which extends beyond the end of the fiscal year, shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Any such grant authorizations remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be reappropriated pursuant to the conditions of the respective grant agreements.

Appropriations for active projects resulting in restrictions or commitments of fund balances shall be identified by appropriate titles in the financial statements of the affected funds.

SECTION 8. ADMINISTRATION OF THE BUDGET

The City Manager or his designee shall administer the budget and may authorize the transfer of appropriations within the allotments heretofore established and necessary to achieve the goals of the budget provided, however, that no such transfer shall be used to increase the total appropriation within any fund.

SECTION 9. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS

The City Manager is authorized to enter into City contracts if the total contract amount is less than or equal to the budget line item or project budget as approved by City Council herein.

SECTION 10. ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

The City Manager is responsible for controlling the rate of expenditures of budgeted funds in order to assure that expenditures do not exceed funds on hand. To carry out this responsibility, the City Manager is authorized to allocate budgeted funds.

SECTION 11. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS ABOVE ANTICIPATED REVENUES

Revenues other than, and/or in excess of, those addressed in Section 4 of this Ordinance, received by the City of Beaufort, which are in excess of the anticipated revenue as approved in the current budget, may be expended as directed by the revenue source, or for the express purposes for which the funds were generated without further approval of City Council. All such expenditures addressed in Section 3, in excess of \$10,000, shall be reported, in written form, to the City Council of Beaufort on a quarterly basis. Such funds include sales of products, services, rents, contributions, donations, special events, insurance and similar recoveries.

SECTION 12. TRANSFERS VALIDATED

All duly authorized transfers of funds heretofore made from one account to another, or from one fund to another during Fiscal Year 2019, are hereby approved.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be effective July 1, 2018. Approved and adopted on the second and final reading this 26th day of June 2018.

BILLY KEYSERLING, MAYOR

ATTEST:

IVETTE BURGESS, CITY CLERK

1st Reading _____

2nd Reading & Adoption _____

Reviewed by: William Harvey III, City Attorney, 6/6/2018

ATTACHMENT A

MASTER FEE SCHEDULE FOR FY 2018-2019

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Special Duty Fee - Police | \$50/hour |
| Special Duty Fee – Fire | \$38/hour |
| Special Duty Fee – Public Works | \$36/hour |
| Park Rental Fee – Waterfront Park – as adopted in February 2011 and included in the Waterfront Park rental application | |
| Park Deposit Fee – Pigeon Point Park | \$50/day |
| Park Deposit Fee - Southside Park | \$100/day |
| Parking Fee for Special Events - Full Day Rate | \$6/day |
| Stormwater Fee – Option E under the Beaufort County Stormwater Rate model | \$135/account |
| Refuse/Recycling Collection Fee – Residential | \$16.20/month |
| Refuse Collection Fee – Commercial: | |
| Tier 1 – 1 Cart/2 Day service | \$27.00/month |
| Tier 2 - 2 Carts/2 Day service | \$57.00/month |
| Tier 3 – 3 Carts/2 Day service | \$82.00/month |
| Tier 4 – 3 Carts/5 Day service | \$120.00/month |
| Tier 5 – 4 Carts/5 Day service | \$158.00/month |
| Tier 6 – 5 Carts/5 Day service | \$189.00/month |
| Tier 7 – 6 Carts/5 Day service | \$220.00/month |
| \$25.00 added to each monthly account requiring Saturday service | |

BUSINESS LICENSE

RATE SCHEDULE

| <u>RATE CLASS</u> | <u>INCOME: \$0 - \$2,000</u> | <u>INCOME OVER \$2,000</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| | <u>BASE RATE</u> | <u>Rate per Thousand or fraction thereof</u> |
| 1 | \$25.00 | \$0.95 |
| 2 | \$35.00 | \$1.37 |
| 3 | \$45.00 | \$1.79 |
| 4 | \$55.00 | \$2.21 |
| 5 | \$65.00 | \$2.63 |
| 6 | \$75.00 | \$3.05 |
| 7 | \$85.00 | \$3.47 |
| 8.1 | \$60.00 | \$1.75 |
| 8.2 | \$ set by State statute | |
| 8.3 | MASC Telecommunications | |
| 8.4 | See detail below | |
| 8.5 | \$20.00 | \$0.65 |
| 8.6 | \$288.00 | \$2.07 |
| 8.7 | MASC Insurance | |
| 8.8A | \$12.50 + \$12.50 per machine | |
| 8.8B | \$64.00 | \$2.52 |
| 8.8C | \$12.50 + \$180.00 per machine | |
| 8.9 | See detail below | |
| 8.10 | See detail below | |

All other 08 Classifications – please contact the Business License Office.

NON-RESIDENT RATES

Unless otherwise specifically provided, all taxes and rates shall be doubled for nonresidents and itinerants having no fixed principal place of business within the municipality.

CLASS 8 RATES

Each NAICS Number designates a separate sub-classification. The businesses in this section are treated as separate and individual subclasses due to provisions of State law, regulatory requirements, service burdens, tax equalization considerations, etc., which are deemed to be sufficient to require individually determined rates. Non-resident rates do not apply except where indicated.

NAICS 230000 - Contractors, Construction, All Types

| | | |
|------------|--|----------------------|
| 8.1 | Having permanent place of business within the municipality | |
| | Minimum on first \$2,000..... | \$ <u>60.00</u> PLUS |
| | Each additional 1,000..... | \$ <u>1.75</u> |

8.1A Not having permanent place of business within the municipality

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$ 120.00 PLUS
 Each additional \$1,000..... \$ 3.50
 (Non-resident double rates do not apply)

A trailer at the construction site or structure in which the contractor temporarily resides is not a permanent place of business under this ordinance.

The total tax for the full amount of the contract shall be paid prior to commencement of work and shall entitle contractor to complete the job without regard to the normal license expiration date. An amended report shall be filed for each new job and the appropriate additional license fee per \$1,000 of the contract amount shall be paid prior to commencement of new work. Only one base tax shall be paid in a calendar year.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all state and municipal qualification examination and trade license requirements have been met. Each contractor shall post a sign in plain view on each job identifying the contractor with the job.

Sub-contractors shall be licensed on the same basis as general or prime contractors for the same job. No deductions shall be made by a general or prime contractor for value of work performed by a sub-contractor.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all performance and indemnity bonds required by the Building Code have been filed and approved. Zoning permits must be obtained when required by the Zoning Ordinance.

Each prime contractor shall file with the License Official a list of sub-contractors furnishing labor or materials for each project.

8.2 NAICS 482 - Railroad Companies – (See S.C. Code § 12-23-210)
 Set by State Statute

8.3 NAICS 5171, 5172 - Telephone Companies:

A. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Business License Ordinance, the business license tax for "retail telecommunications services", as defined in S. C. Code Section 58-9-2200, shall be at the maximum rate authorized by S. C. Code Section 58-9-2220, as it now provides or as provided by amendment. The business license tax year shall begin on January 1 of each year. Declining rates shall not apply.

B. In conformity with S.C. Code Section 58-9-2220, the business license tax for "retail telecommunications services" shall apply to the gross income derived from the sale of retail telecommunications services for the preceding calendar or fiscal year which either originate or terminate in the municipality and which are charged to a service address within the municipality regardless of where these amounts are billed or paid and on which a business license tax has not been paid to another municipality. The measurement of the amounts derived from the retail sale of mobile telecommunications services shall include only revenues from the fixed monthly recurring charge of customers whose service address is within the boundaries of the municipality. For a

business in operation for less than one year, the amount of business license tax shall be computed on a twelve-month projected income.

C. The business license tax for "retail telecommunications services" shall be due on January 1 of each year and payable by January 31 of that year, without penalty.

D. The delinquent penalty shall be five percent (5 %) of the tax due for each month, or portion thereof, after the due date until paid.

E. Exemptions in the business license ordinance for income from business in interstate commerce are hereby repealed. Properly apportioned gross income from interstate commerce shall be included in the gross income for every business subject to a business license tax.

F. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be interpreted to interfere with continuing obligations of any franchise agreement or contractual agreement in the event that the franchise or contractual agreement should expire after December 31, 2003.

G. All fees collected under such a franchise or contractual agreement expiring after December 31, 2003, shall be in lieu of fees or taxes which might otherwise be authorized by this Ordinance.

H. As authorized by S. C. Code Section 5-7-300, the Agreement with the Municipal Association of South Carolina for collection of current and delinquent license taxes from telecommunications companies pursuant to S. C. Code Section 58-9-2200 shall continue in effect.

NAICS 22112 - Electric Power Distribution..... See Consent or Franchise

NAICS 22121 - Natural Gas Distribution See Consent or Franchise

NAICS 517110 - Television: Cable or Pay

Services using public streets See Franchise

8.4A NAICS 423930 - Junk or Scrap Dealers [Non-resident rates apply]

Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 41.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 1.66

8.4B NAICS 522298 - Pawn Brokers - All Types

Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 161.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 2.88

**8.5 NAICS 4411, 4412 - Automotive, Motor Vehicles, Boats, Farm Machinery or Retail
(except auto supply stores - see 4413)**

Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 20.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 0.65

One sales lot not more than 400 feet from the main showroom may be operated under this license provided that proceeds from sales at the lot are included in gross receipts at the main office when both are operated under the same name and ownership.

Gross receipts for this classification shall include value of trade-ins. Dealer transfers or internal repairs on resale items shall not be included in gross income.

NAICS 454390 - Peddlers, Solicitors, Canvassers, Door-To-Door Sales

Direct retail sales of merchandise. [Non-resident rates apply]

- 8.6 Regular activities [more than two sale periods of more than three days each per year]
Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 288.00 PLUS
Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 2.07

Applicant for a license to sell on private property must provide written authorization from the properly owner to use the intended location.

8.7 **NAICS 5241 - Insurance Companies:**

Except as to fire insurance, “gross premiums” means gross premiums written for policies for property or a risk located within the municipality. In addition, “gross premiums” shall include premiums written for policies that are sold, solicited, negotiated, taken, transmitted, received, delivered, applied for, produced or serviced by (1) the insurance company’s office located in the municipality, (2) the insurance company’s employee conducting business within the municipality, or (3) the office of the insurance company’s licensed or appointed producer (agent) conducting business within the municipality, regardless of where the property or risk is located, provided no tax has been paid to another municipality in which the property or risk is located based on the same premium.

Solicitation for insurance, receiving or transmitting an application or policy, examination of a risk, collection or transmitting of a premium, adjusting a claim, delivering a benefit, or doing any act in connection with a policy or claim shall constitute conducting business within the municipality, regardless of whether or not an office is maintained in the municipality.

As to fire insurance, “gross premiums” means gross premiums (1) collected in the municipality, and/or (2) realized from risks located within the limits of the municipality.

Gross premiums shall include all business conducted in the prior calendar year.

Gross premiums shall include new and renewal business without deductions for any dividend, credit, returns premiums or deposit.

NAICS 52411 - Life, Health and Accident 0.75% of Gross Premiums

NAICS 524126 - Fire and Casualty (Licensed in SC)2% of Gross Premiums

NAICS 524127 - Title Insurance 2% of Gross Premiums

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this ordinance, license taxes for insurance companies shall be payable on or before May 31 in each year without penalty. The penalty for delinquent payments shall be 5% of the tax due per month, or portion thereof, after the due date until paid.

Any exemptions in the business license ordinance for income from business in interstate commerce are hereby repealed. Gross income from interstate commerce shall be included in the gross income for every business subject to a business license tax.

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 38-45-10 and 38-45-60, the Municipal Association of South Carolina, by agreement with the municipality, is designated the municipal agent for purposes of administration of the municipal broker’s premium tax. The agreement with the Association for administration and collection of current and delinquent license taxes from insurance companies as authorized by S.C. Code § 5-7-300 and administration of the municipal broker’s premium tax in the form attached hereto is approved, and the Mayor is authorized to execute it.

[The South Carolina General Assembly, in order to ensure consistency with the federal Non-admitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of 2010 (“NRRA”), ratified an act (Rat# 283) on June 28, 2012, amending S.C. Code §§ 38-7-16 and 38-45-10 through 38-45-195. The act establishes a blended broker’s premium tax rate of 6 percent comprised of a 4 percent state broker’s premium tax and a 2 percent municipal broker’s premium tax. The act states a municipality may not impose on brokers of non-admitted insurance in South Carolina an additional license fee or tax based upon a percentage of premiums.]

NAICS 713120 - Amusement Machines, coin operated (except gambling) -

Music machines, juke boxes, kiddy rides, video games, pin tables with levers, and other amusement machines with or without free play feature licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(1) and (A)(2) – [Type I and Type II]

8.8A Operator of machine \$12.50 per machine PLUS
.....\$12.50 business license
for operation of all machines (not on gross income).[§12-21-2746]

8.8B Distributor
selling or leasing machines (not licensed by the State as an operator pursuant to §12-21-2728) -
Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 64.00 PLUS
Per \$1,000 or fraction over \$2,000 \$ 2.52

NAICS 713290 - Amusement Machines, coin operated, non-payout

Amusement machines of the non-payout type or in-line pin game licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(3) [Type III]

8.8C - Operator of machine (owner of business).....\$12.50 business license
for operation of all machines (not on gross income). [§12-21-2720(B)]

8.9A NAICS 713290 - Bingo halls, parlors –
 Minimum on first \$2,000\$32.50 PLUS
 Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$1.26

8.9B NAICS 711190 - Carnivals and Circuses – Per Day
 Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 230.00 PLUS
 Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 5.76

8.9C NAICS 722410 – Full Service Restaurants (Alcoholic beverages consumed on premises) that may or may not provide entertainment.
 Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 115.00 PLUS
 Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 2.90

License must be issued in the name of the individual who has been issued a State alcohol, beer or wine permit or license and will have actual control and management of the business.

8.9D NAICS 722410 - Drinking Places, bars, lounges, cabarets (Alcoholic beverages consumed on premises) that may or may not provide entertainment.
 Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 272.00 PLUS
 Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$ 4.31

License must be issued in the name of the individual who has been issued a State alcohol, beer or wine permit or license and will have actual control and management of the business.

8.10A NAICS 713990 - Billiard or Pool Rooms, all types \$5.00 permit/table PLUS
 Minimum on first \$2,000 \$ 32.00 PLUS
 Per \$1,000, or fraction, over 2000..... \$ 1.26

**CITY OF BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW CODES FEE SCHEDULE
Effective November 1, 2017**

(1) **OTHER FEES SUPERSEDED**

The following schedules and regulations regarding fees are hereby adopted and supersede all regulations and schedules regarding fees published in the most recent edition of the International Building Code or supplement thereof.

(2) **FEES MANDATORY**

No permit shall be issued until the fees prescribed in this section shall have been paid. Nor shall an amendment to a permit be approved until the additional fee, if any, due to an increase in the estimated cost of the building or structure, shall have been paid.

(3) **FAILURE TO OBTAIN PERMIT**

Where work for which a permit is required by this code is started or proceeded prior to obtaining said permit, the fees herein specified shall be tripled, but the payment of such tripled fee shall not relieve any persons from fully complying with the requirements of this code in the execution of the work nor from any other penalties prescribed herein.

(4) **RECORD OF FEES COLLECTED**

The Building Official shall keep a permanent and accurate accounting of all permit fees and other monies collected, the names of all persons upon whose account the same was paid, the full date and amount thereof.

(5) **MOVING A BUILDING/STRUCTURES**

For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$150.00

(6) **DEMOLITION OF BUILDING/STRUCTURE**

For the moving of any building or structure, the fee shall be \$150.00
For the demolition of any building or structure, the fees are as follows:

Complete Demolition Single-Family Structure \$100.00 Complete Demolition Commercial & Multifamily Structure \$200.00

(7) **BUILDING PERMIT FEES**

On all new buildings, structures or alterations requiring a building permit as set forth in the International Building Code and the International Residential Code, the fee shall be paid as required at the time of filing the application in accordance with the schedule shown below. Plan review fee is paid at the time the plans are submitted.

Building Permit Fee Schedule:

| Total Valuation | Base Fee |
|-------------------------|---|
| \$500 or less | No fee, unless an inspection is required, in which case an inspection fee shall be charged. |
| >\$500 to \$50,000 | \$35 for the first \$500, plus \$5.30 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof (round up) |
| >\$50,000 to \$100,000 | \$300 for the first \$50,000, plus \$4 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof (round up) |
| >\$100,000 to \$500,000 | \$500 for the first \$100,000, plus \$3 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof (round up) |
| >\$500,000 and up | \$1,700 for the first \$500,000, plus \$2 for each additional thousand or fraction thereof (round up) |

(8) **PLAN CHECKING FEES**

When a plan is required to be submitted, all fees shall be paid to the building department at the time of submitting plans and specifications for checking. Said plan checking fee shall be equal to one-half of the base fee.

(9) **BUILDING PERMIT VALUATIONS**

If, in the opinion of the Building Official, the valuation of a building, alteration, or structure, appears to be underestimated, the permit shall be denied, unless the applicant can show detailed estimates to meet the approval of the Building Official. Final building permit valuation shall be set by the Building Official.

(10) **PROCEDURE FOR PERMIT REFUNDS**

- (a) Permit holder must return all applicable permit forms and receipts; copies will not be accepted.
- (b) Permit refund will be for total amount paid minus Plan Checking Fee--
- (c) A completed W-9 form is required.

(11) **INSPECTION FEES**

- (a) Plumbing Inspection Fees
 - \$30.00 for Residential
 - \$40.00 for Commercial

- (b) Electrical Inspection Fees
 - \$30.00 for Residential
 - \$40.00 for Commercial
- (c) Mechanical Inspection Fees
 - \$30.00 for Residential
 - \$40.00 for Commercial
- (d) Gas Inspection fees
 - \$30.00 for Residential
 - \$40.00 for Commercial
- (e) Miscellaneous Inspections (Includes re-roof, signs, windows, etc.) \$30.00
- (f) Swimming Pool Inspection Fees
 - Single-Family \$235.00
with \$200 to be refunded after pool inspection has been performed and approved
 - Multifamily and Commercial \$265.00
with \$200 to be refunded after pool inspection has been performed and approved
- (g) Safety Inspection
 - Home Occupation \$30.00
 - Commercial \$50.00

(12) **RE-INSPECTIONS**

If the Building Official or his duly authorized representative shall, upon his inspection after the completion of the work or apparatus, find the same does not conform to and comply with the provisions of this Code, he shall notify the contractor, indicating the corrections to be made, and then he shall again inspect the work or apparatus without further charge; but when extra inspections are due to any of the following reasons, a charge of \$100 for multifamily and commercial projects, and \$50.00 for all other projects shall be made for each re-inspection:

- (a) Wrong Address
- (b) Repairs or corrections not made when inspections are called
- (c) Work not ready for inspection when called

All re-inspection fees are required to be paid in advance prior to re-inspection.

(18) **SUBDIVISION FEES**

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Lot Recombination/Lot Line Adjustment | \$50.00 |
| Lot Consolidation | \$25.00 |

Major Subdivision that include New Streets:

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 6 to 49 lots: | \$1,000 + \$10/lot |
| 50-100 lots: | \$1,500 + \$10/lot |
| 101 to 300 lots: | \$2,000 + \$10/lot |
| 301 + lots: | \$2,500 + \$10/lot |

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| Minor Subdivision (≤ 5 lots and no new streets) | \$50.00 |
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(19) **STAFF DESIGN REVIEW FEES**

**Fees for Staff Design Review:
Boundary and Bladen Redevelopment Districts
Certain Development Agreements
Development Design Review Minor
Certificates of Appropriateness Minor
Post facto applications shall be twice the normal fee.**

Type 1

- Improvements not including additions, ≤ 50% of the value of the structure (not including single-family, or 2/3-unit buildings)

| <u>Value</u> | <u>Fee</u> |
|---|------------|
| Improvements ≤ \$5,000 | \$50 |
| Improvements > \$5,000 but ≤ \$25,000 | \$75 |
| Improvements > \$25,000 but ≤ \$50,000 | \$125 |
| Improvements > \$50,000 but ≤ \$100,000 | \$150 |
| Improvements > \$100,000 but ≤ \$250,000 | \$500 |
| Improvements > \$1250,000 but < 50% of the value of the structure | \$1,000 |

- Any single-family and 2/3-unit residential improvements not including additions, < 50% of the value of the structure: \$50

Type 2

- Any single-family and 2/3-unit residential addition: \$50
- All other projects: \$500 base fee + \$0.05/square foot of addition.

Type 3

Review for new construction and for improvements totaling over 50% of the value of the structure:

- Single-family and 2/3 unit residential: \$100
- ≤ 10,000 square feet: \$500 base fee + 0.05/square foot of building

- > \$10,000 square feet: \$1,000 base fee + \$0.05/square foot of building for the first 100,000 square feet of building. For additional square footage over 100,000, \$0.02/square foot.

(20) **REVIEW BOARDS: HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD & DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

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|--|-------------------|
| Single-family residential projects (board review) | \$100 per meeting |
| Multifamily and commercial projects (board review) | \$200 per meeting |
| Change After Certification | \$100 |
| Demolition (whole structure) | \$250.00 |
| Special Board Meeting | \$500.00 |

Post facto applications shall be twice the normal fee.

(21) **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

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|---------------------------|-------------|----------|
| (a) Variance: | Residential | \$200.00 |
| | Commercial | \$300.00 |
| (b) Special Exception: | | \$300 |
| (c) Administrator Appeal: | | \$300 |

(22) **REZONING**

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|-------------------|----------------------|
| Rezoning to PUD | \$400 |
| Rezoning, non-PUD | \$200 & \$10/per lot |

(23) **TEXT AMENDMENT**

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| Beaufort Code Text Amendment | \$400 |
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(24) **OTHER FEES**

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| Trip to Storage (Request for documents from storage) | \$50.00 (plus copying fee) |
| Flood Hazard Area Verification Letter | \$25.00 |
| Parking Meter Space Rental | \$5.00 per day per metered space (for construction projects only) |
| Fee for Copies (8 1/2 x 11) | 30¢ per sheet |
| Zoning Review | \$50.00 |
| Traffic Impact Analysis Report Review Fee | \$750.00 |
| Design Exception | \$200.00 |
| Accessory Dwelling unit | \$50.00 |

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|---------------------------------|----------|
| Administrative Adjustment | \$50.00 |
| Home Occupation | \$25.00 |
| Short Term Rentals | \$100.00 |
| Zoning Compliance Letter | \$50.00 |
| Development Code Interpretation | \$100.00 |
| Development Code Text Amendment | \$400.00 |