



City Council Worksession  
Meeting Minutes – Planning Conference Room – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

November 15, 2022

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

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**5:00 PM**

Mayor Stephen D. Murray III

Members of Council in attendance - Phil Cromer, Neil Lipsitz, Mike McFee, Mitch Mitchell, and Mayor Murray.

**II. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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A. Beaufort County Quadrennial Property Reassessment.

**Ebony Sanders, Beaufort County Assessor**, started off by going over the responsibilities of the Assessor as stated in the South Carolina Code of Laws under section 12-37-90. She stated that the reassessment or equalization program is an effort to value real property at its fair market value equitably and uniformly. Every fifth year each County shall appraise and equalize those properties under its jurisdiction. This process must be completed by the end of December of the fourth year. If there is an increase of one thousand dollars or more, the County shall notify those property owners. In the fifth year the County shall implement the program and assess all property on the newly appraised values. She then went over the Historical Market Value Data for the City of Beaufort over the last five years. In 2022, the Market Value was \$2,600,155,327.00 with a Taxable Value of \$2,307,063,194.00.

The next scheduled reassessment implementation is in tax year 2023 with a valuation effective date of December 31, 2022.

A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.

**III. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Councilman Cromer made a motion to go into Executive Session and seconded by Councilman Lipsitz.

A. Pursuant to Title 30, Chapter 4, Section (70) (a) (1) of the South Carolina Code of Law:  
Discussion regarding Personnel - Administration.

Councilman Lipsitz made a motion to come out of Executive Session and seconded by Councilman Mitchell.

No actions from Executive Session.

**IV. ADJOURN**

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**7:06 PM**

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