# City Council

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 28, 2023 Council Chambers 1207 Palm Boulevard Isle of Palms, South Carolina

#### **Public Comment:**

All citizens who wish to speak during the meeting must email their first and last name, address, and topic to Nicole DeNeane at <a href="mailto:nicoled@iop.net">nicoled@iop.net</a> no later than 3:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting. Citizens may also provide public comment here:

https://www.iop.net/public-comment-form

## Agenda

- Introduction of meeting and acknowledgement that the press and public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.
  - a. Invocation

b. Pledge of Allegiance

- c. Roll Call
- **2.** Citizen's Comments All comments will have a time limit of three (3) minutes. Public Comments submitted via online form [Pg.3]

# 3. Approval of previous meetings' minutes

- a. City Council Meeting October 24, 2023 [Pgs.4-44]
- b. Special City Council Meeting November 13, 2023 [Pg.45]
- c. Special City Council Meeting November 14, 2023 [Pgs.46-54]
- d. Committee meeting minutes [Pgs.55-58]

#### 4. Old Business

Update on emergency beach restoration work between Breach Inlet and 314 Ocean Boulevard and between 12 and 17 Beachwood East

#### 5. New Business

- a. Consideration of additional funding for beach restoration work for the areas between Breach Inlet and 314 Ocean Boulevard and between 12 and 17 Beachwood East
- b. Discussion and consideration of wage and compensation study and recommendations [Pgs.59-76]
- c. Consideration of change order from Quality Enterprises for Phase 3 Drainage Project in the amount of \$31,356 to cover additional material quantities due to rotating junction box structure and additional paving quantities [Pgs.77-80]
- d. Consideration of change order from Coastal Science & Engineering in the amount not to exceed \$65,000 for ongoing engineering services related to the emergency beach work around the Breach Inlet area [Pgs.81-83]
- e. Consideration of addition of the license registration module to Rentalscape agreement in the amount of \$15,000 [Pgs.84-108]
- f. Consideration of recommendation from Environmental Advisory Committee to continue glass recycling program at an annual cost of \$9,600 [Pgs.109-111]
- g. Consideration of installing apparatus bay fans and LED light upgrades in Fire Station 2 in the amount of \$53,145 [Pg.112]

- h. Consideration of recommendation from the ATAX Committee of the following state accommodations grant requests for tourism related expenditures: [Pgs.113-143]
  - i. IOP Chamber of Commerce Light Up-Front Beach \$10,000
  - ii. Mary Alice Monroe, Ltd. Wild Dunes Author Event \$20,000
  - iii. YWCA Greater Charleston Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute Week VIP Reception - \$2,500
- i. Discussion and consideration of parking management proposals
- j. Discussion and consideration of public dock and T dock

## 6. Boards and Commissions Report

- a. Board of Zoning Appeals no meeting in November
- b. Planning Commission minutes attached [Pgs.144-145]
- c. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee minutes attached [Pgs.146-149]
- d. Environmental Advisory Committee minutes attached [Pgs.150-152]

# 7. Ordinances, Resolutions and Petitions

- a. Second Reading None
- b. **First Reading** Ordinance 2023-12 to amended standing committees from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. [Pgs.153-155]
- c. Resolutions and Proclamations
  - i. Resolution authorizing consumption of beer and wine, road closure and amplified music at Holiday Street Festival on December 2, 2023 [Pgs.156-157]
  - ii. Resolution to adopt the Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Program for Public Information Plan - <a href="https://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/building-inspection-services/files/2023-HMP-Draft.pdf">https://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/building-inspection-services/files/2023-HMP-Draft.pdf</a> [Pg.158]
- **8. Executive Session** If needed. Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session upon returning from Executive Session.
- 9. Adjournment

Date Submitted	Name	Address	Comments for Council Meeting	Meeting This Comment is Intended For:
11/15/23	Mary Alice Monroe	7 2nd Ave, Kruesi, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451	Thank you for considering my application for the literary event on Isle of Palms. I wanted to let you know that the process of filing for the 501 c 3 for a nonprofit status is well underway. My submission for Island School Literacy Events (ISLE) will be filed tomorrow and I will submit my papers to you before your next meeting November 28. I am also in contact with my CPA. We are moving forward as quickly as we can. Thank you all again.	City Council
11/13/23	Ms Maryanne Chalmers	2404 Palm Blvd, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451	I am concerned regarding the speed on Palm Blvd from 21st to 40th st. During this time of year(the off season). There are many trucks, cars and delivery vehicles that are flying down the street since there is not as many cars parking and stopping especially in the earlier morning and evening. This is very dangerous as many people are trying to go to the beach with their dogs. Frequently the traffic will not pause to allow people to cross even in the cross walk. I am afraid it is only a matter of time until a person or dog will be hit by a vehicle going at a high speed. I think that the speed should be reduced to 25mph and a stop sign or 2 be added to this section of the road. If you compare the stretch of Waterway to Palm on the exact same area. Waterway is 25mph and has a couple stop signs. Palm has no stop signs and is 30 mph. We have far more pedestrians trying to cross to the beach. We also have families with children walking around their parked cars on the side of the road.	
10/24/23	IMrs Carolyn S	3101 Palm Blvd, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451-2032	Please work on our beach paths, my husband is wheelchair bound and we were thrilled when the blue mat went in on our path years ago thank you, however it has not been maintained since. The end near the dune has a huge hump running vertically the last roughly 8 ft before the sand. We would love to see it extended to the end of dunes so we can get a powered beach wheelchair and my husband can finally get in the ocean.ibdo take Jack to the 34th st path to sit on the boardwalk. Thank you for your consideration	Public Works Committee



#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

# 6:00pm, Tuesday, October 24, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to order

Present: Council members Hahn, Ward, Bogosian, Streetman, Anderson, Popson,

Miars, Pierce, and Mayor Pounds

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Kerr, City Attorney McQullin, various

department heads

# 2. Special Presentation

## Presentation of the Spirit of the Island Award to Susan Hill Smith

Mayor Pounds read from the citizen letter nominating Ms. Smith for the Spirit of the Island Award. Ms. Smith's remarks are attached to these minutes.

#### 3. Citizen's Comments

Randy Bell's comments are attached to these minutes.

Laura Lovin's comments are attached to these minutes.

Julie Nestler, 17 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, spoke about the drowning of Mateo Lopez on October 5, 2022. She said nothing was on the dock where he was swimming that could have helped save him. She presented a life ring and information about drownings (attached to these minutes) to Council Member Ward as Chairman of the Public Safety Committee. She asked that the life ring be added to the City's public dock in honor of the City's Public Safety officers.

Gary Nestler, 17 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, expressed concern about differing messages coming from Council members with regards to the City's financial status. He believes it is creating misleading information. He also expressed concern about the pay for Fire Department personnel and believes it needs to be increased. He said he is alarmed about the sharing of personnel information on social media.

Al Clouse's comments are attached to these minutes.

Les Kutcher's comments are attached to these minutes.

Gerald Johnson spoke about the need for unity within the community. He does not believe a cap on short-term rentals is the answer to the issue with short-term rentals. He would like to see the community find a unified solution.

Kevin Cunnane's comments are attached to these minutes.

- 4. Approval of previous meetings' minutes
- A. City Council Meeting September 26, 2023
- B. Special Joint City Council & Planning Commission Meeting September 26, 2023
- C. Special City Council Meeting October 3, 2023
- D. Special City Council Meeting October 10, 2023
- E. Special City Council Workshop October 10, 2023

MOTION: Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve the minutes, and Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Old Business -- none

# Update on emergency beach restoration work between Breach Inlet and 314 Ocean Boulevard

Administrator Fragoso said, "For several weeks now, we have been working with Collins Construction who have been deployed again for several weeks, pretty much since the last storm, Hurricane Idalia, came through. Our efforts continue after City Council approved additional funds for additional beach erosion mitigation efforts. We have been pursuing our project in response to the action taken by Council at that time. Therefore, we have been trucking sand, beach compatible sand, and our contractor continues to scrape from the beach, restoring the dune system and the dry sand beach. We are still waiting for actual numbers from our contractor to account for exactly how many cubic vards of sand have been placed so far. We understand the range would be between 25 and 30,000. The contractor continues, the sandbags, they took a little bit longer than anticipated for them to receive the sandbags. They received them early, late last week, and they have been filling them offsite. They will be bringing them in starting tomorrow. The area that has been approved by OCRM for the placement of sandbags is the area between 120 and 206 Ocean. We have contacted those owners and kept them appraised of any progress updates. We have also finalized the coordination of the public meeting that we will have with the Army Corps of Engineers to talk about the upcoming large project, beneficial use project in coordination with the Corps anticipated to start early next year. That meeting will be hosted on November 13 at 5:00pm, and we will do it at the Exchange Club. We have sent out invitations to folks along the project area to attend. We have also notified owners about the emergency ordinance. We know of a handful of people who may be interested, and we are helping them understand what the ordinance is and the criteria that they would need to follow. So we are working with some people on that end with regards to sandbags." She said about 10 properties are receiving sandbags.

#### 6. New Business

A. Consideration of final design of emergency vehicle access project at the IOP County Park

MOTION: Council Member Popson made a motion to approve, and Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Consideration of engaging Trident and McMillan Pazdan Smith as the Design-Build team for City Hall renovations

MOTION: Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve, and Council Member Anderson seconded the motion.

Council Member Pierce asked if the motion needed to include the \$10,000 option. Administrator Fragoso responded, "Just as background, the scoring from the presentation indicated Trident and the McMillan team have been selected by the scoring. We have included a proposal in your packet that would involve the first phase of a potential project, which would include an assessment and recommendation. There is no design. There are no specifications. It is basically look at our building, understand what the needs are, and make some recommendations for the City. And I think the amount is \$69,000."

Director Kerr added, "The alternate would only be needed if we were going to extend significantly outside of the footprint by more than 650 square feet. So there is a possibility that we would need it. So I think I would err on the side of" including it in the motion.

Council Member Miars mentioned that there had been discussion on the Committee level of having both firms come present more information and a basic estimate to City Council.

Director Kerr explained, "I would just respond that our code specifically keeps us from doing a competitive process with design work. This first stage is basically all design work. So I think the way we have done it is the way that is dictated by our code. We would have the option at subsequent stages to go out for more competitive, we could do it competitively then. But at this stage, it is really just working through concepts with us, and it is design work, which we, the State law and the City Code don't allow that to be done competitively.

Administrator Fragoso added, "Specifically for architectural purposes, there is a provision in our code that you have to select a scope of work based on qualifications."

Once City Council decides which path to take with City Hall renovations, then the City can go out for competitive bids.

**VOTE:** A vote was taken with all in favor.

#### C. Consideration of IOP Connector Run contribution

Mayor Pounds said that City has given \$7500 each year to the IOP Connector Run, and after the run, the City receives 10% of the proceeds for support services, which last year came to \$8200.

He would like to have the City continue to contribute \$7500 to the run but not take the 10% returned to the City. Proceeds from the Run support local charities.

MOTION: Mayor Pounds made a motion that this year the City not accept the proceeds check from the IOP Connector Run and remains with the Exchange Club for sharing with the selected nonprofits of its choosing. Council Member Bogosian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Consideration of replacement of patrol SUV in the amount of \$52,000 [Unbudgeted expenditure – vehicle involved in accident and deemed total loss by insurance. Proposed to be funded by Muni ATAX]

MOTION: Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$52,000 for the purchase of a replacement patrol SUV. Council Member Popson seconded the motion.

This vehicle had 110,000 miles on it and was due to be replaced in 2025. The City received \$14,000 from the insurance company for the vehicle, and that will be used towards the purchase of the replacement. Some of the upfitting from the totaled vehicle will be placed in the new SUV. The remainder of the purchase price will come from Municipal ATAX funds.

**VOTE:** A vote was taken with all in favor.

- 7. Boards and Commissions Reports
- A. **Board of Zoning Appeals** minutes attached
- B. **Planning Commission** minutes attached
- C. Accommodations Tax Advisory Board minutes attached
- D. Environmental Advisory Committee minutes attached
- 8. Ordinances, Resolutions, and Petitions
- A. Second Reading none
- B. First Reading none
- C. Resolutions and Petitions
- i. Resolution Authorizing Consumption of beer and wine only, amplified noise and street closure at the LOWVELO Bike Ride on November 4, 2023

MOTION: Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve and waive the reading, and Council Member Miars seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrator Fragoso explained, "For the record, this event as stated will be on November 4. However, the setup of that event will require partial closure of our municipal parking lot B, which is the large one on Front Beach. They are starting the setup of their tents on Tuesday afternoon. There will still be parking available, but part of that parking lot will not because of the tents. And then the road closure will start on Thursday, November 2. Only the southbound lane between 14<sup>th</sup> and Pavilion Drive will be closed through Saturday night, the date of the event. The

Lowvelo team has been sharing a lot of information with our Front Beach businesses through the Chamber, directly door to door, just to make sure people are aware. This is the fourth year, so I think people have got the hang of it." A final review meeting is being held tomorrow afternoon.

ii. Proclamation declaring November 16, 2023 as World Pancreatic Day in the City of Isle of Palms

MOTION: Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve and waive the reading, and Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 9. Executive Session -- none
- 10. **Adjournment**

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Popson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk

#### Remarks of Susan Hill Smith

Thank you to the City and the Council for this recognition and for spotlighting the need to find solutions for the litter and pollution crisis & to protect the beauty of our island.

This honor is really about Isle of Palms Cleanup Crew, which has always been a group effort, and there are important people I would like to fold into this recognition.

First, my Cofounder Katrina Limbach. Her creative spark, hard work and the synergy that we have had together have been critical to Isle of Palms Cleanup Crew's success.

Thank you to **City Administrator Desiree Fragoso** for connecting me with Trina back in 2018 – without that introduction Isle of Palms Cleanup Crew would not be what it is today.

The South Carolina Aquarium's conservation team, especially Kelly Thorvalson and Linda Rowe, have been supporting and guiding us since our very first litter sweep.

**Islander Rebecca Stephenson** involved her family in the early days. And **Howard Hogue – also known as Beach Santa –** is legendary for cleaning up litter on IOP & around the Lowcountry. They are now wonderful members of our welcome team.

Shoutout to Paula Kennedy & Team Blue from South Carolina Federal Credit Union. They have faithfully shown up for us as through their employee volunteer program in many ways.

Shoutouts also to all the island businesses we have engaged as sponsors since 2018 – I wish I had time to list them all, but I will mention that **Windjammer** & **Acme Lowcountry Kitchen** have supported us since the very start.

I cannot leave out the thousands of volunteers from across the Lowcountry and beyond who have joined us since 2018, and all the other people who clean up on their own time.

For some – including Sarah Parker Daniel, who nominated me for this recognition – it's part of their regular routine, something they do nearly every day.

If you pick litter on this island – you are a member of Isle of Palms Cleanup Crew – and this recognition is for all of you, too.

# Remarks of Randy Bell

Thankfully this election will soon be over. I am asking that this document as provided to Council be included in the public record and published as citizen comments.

- Obviously, folks know where I stand on the issue of STR limitations.
  - The attempts to confuse and divide this community are beyond belief, and yet the source of community division sits behind the dais. On February 28<sup>th</sup> the 5-member majority opted to stop any and all discussion on a subject of extreme importance to the residents of IOP.
  - What five (5) of you failed to understand was just how determined your constituents were to be heard. You did not believe this community would gather almost 1,200 resident signatures. We will now be heard, yes or no, on November 7<sup>th</sup>.
    - Zero contributions are from any outside group or commercial interest advocating for a YES VOTE despite Councilman Ward's published Facebook comments. These comments are offensive, inaccurate, and a clear violation of the Council Code of Conduct. The desperation contained in accusatory postings should demand an apology.
    - O What happened to the unanimously passed Council Code of Conduct that stated acceptable use of social media, and a level of respect and dignity to all? It would appear that its selective application only applies to Katie Miars?
    - Mayor, this requires leadership and that is on you, and it's time that you act. Citizens can not call for action, but you can.

 Whatever the outcome of this election, and whomever occupies these Council seats may we have a return to civil discourse and debate. The current Council behavior is unacceptable to any reasonable person paying attention.

isle of Paims Community Jimmy Ward - 2n - 🔟 The IOP referendum & city council vote on November 7th is the most important election in the 37 years I have lived here. A wrong outcome will change the character of our beloved home, for the worst, forever. We must elect the right independent, free thinking candidates that are not controlled by the powerful national hotel lobby who want to get rid of STRs to maximize their profits at the expense of Isle of Palms residents. "Livability" is a code word they have used over & over all over the country to convince ordinary homeowners to willingly restrict their own property rights. It's nothing but a cruel ruse that is already hurting a lot of IOP property owners. Elect INDEPENDENT council candidates Ashley Carroll, Kevin Popson, Rusty Streetman & Jimmy Ward. If the hotel lobby slate of candidates (backed by powerful PACs spending a ton of money to force their way) pushing for the restriction of your property rights get elected they will do whatever they want, no matter what the outcome of the referendum. Meaning, they will install caps, first 1600 then continue to chip away at that number. How mucl They won't say but have said many times "It's a good start"! It is critical we stand together and vote NO and elect the right city council candidates on November 7th. **OO** 40

Randy Bell

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Comments of Laura Lovins

# Good evening,

I think most of us have heard the expression "there are 2 sides to every story". In the musical, Fiddler on the Roof, Tevya, the beleaguered father of daughters trying to decide how to handle them wanting to marry in non-traditional ways, talked his way through the options - "On the one hand…on the other hand..

But to say there are 2 sides to every story you would assume that both sides are dealing with facts. Unfortunately for the Isle of Palms residents, they are being given inaccurate, even convoluted information by one side of the argument.

To produce signs that say "Vote no to preserve our neighborhoods" is a complete oxymoron. Voting no will allow our neighborhoods to become commercial districts, not residential districts, and will destroy them.

To say that if we pass the referendum, city revenue will suffer and your property taxes will go up, is also a falsehood and a scare tactic. The referendum will not reduce any existing STRs. Our city revenue is very healthy, our property taxes are some of the lowest in the State, as Council Member Ward pointed out at last night's candidate forum, so how would keeping the status quo on STR's negatively affect city revenue and property taxes?

The other side says that limiting STR's will negatively impact our city businesses. Again, another falsehood. In case you all don't remember, there is a new 153 room hotel in Wild Dunes called the Sweetgrass Inn that is generating thousands of new tourists annually. In fact, they are currently booked with events through January of next year. Does the other side think these people do not shop, eat, and spend money in Isle of Palms? Do they think they are not helping our local businesses? And by the way, Lowe and Coral Tree are becoming part of Hyatt's new upcoming short term rental platform – Homes & Hideaway's by World Hyatt. So stay tuned to what will be coming to Wild Dunes.

The other side has suggested that the 1,173 people who signed the STR petition did not know what they were doing. I'm stunned at the level of absurdity of that allegation. I personally walked neighborhoods in Wild Dunes to get signatures for the petition, and I will attest to the fact that everyone was given access to read

the petition and ask questions if there were any concerns. Everyone who signed the petition believed 100% in what it was intended to do.

We have four candidates that care about the facts of not only our current STR issues, but of all of issues — liveability, reducing the impact of tourism on residents, infrastructure needs, and preserving IOP as a family friendly, neighborhood community. Their side of the story is the one that Isle of Palms residents and voters need to listen too.

Thank you

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Cade Redmond and his dog, Dutch, with a life ring. /Courtesy Elise Redmond

CORNELIUS – Elise Redmond and her son, Cade, watched helplessly as Mateo Lopez drowned off a dock in Lake Norman.

Lopez was part of a crew doing construction on the house next door when it happened.

"He jumped into the lake to swim," Redmond said. "When he got about 10 feet from the dock, he had an issue of sorts and started to struggle. None of his co-workers could swim. They were all on the dock encouraging him to swim to the dock. The construction general contractor saw what was going on and jumped into the water to try to save him, but he couldn't reach him in time and Mateo drowned. It was shocking how guickly it happened."

This occurred Oct. 5, 2022.

"When the foreman came out of the water, he said, 'if I just had something to throw to him, I think I could have reached him," Redmond said. "My 13-year-old son who was out there the whole time looked at me and said, 'why isn't there a float? Why don't we have anything on our

dock?' We have them on the boats and at swimming pools, but they're not on the docks."

Drowning deaths are common in the United States with approximately 4,000 per year, 80 percent involving males, according to the Centers for Disease Control. In addition, there are approximately 8,000 nonfatal drowning incidents which can result in long-term health problems and costly hospital stays. Young children aged 1-4 have the highest drowning deaths, which happen most in swimming pools.

"What struck all of us was that there really is no rescue operation in a drowning," she said. "It really is recovery and while this individual didn't have family running around and screaming, which would have been a normal reaction, it shook all of us, 'wow, that's it.' We kept saying, 'where's the rescue, where's the rescue?""



In October 2022, Elise Redmond and son Cade witnessed a drowning off their Lake Norman dock. /Courtesy Elise Redmond



Cade Redmond, assisted by his mother, took action and started raising awareness. He spoke at a Cornelius town meeting and, after hearing Redmond's initiative, Mayor Woody Washam initiated legislation requiring that floatation be available in public areas. Cade also reached out to a national influencer on boating safety, Aaron Stasiak – known as "The Qualified Captain" – and received his support for his "Float It Forward" vision.

"The two of them partnered up with West Marine who got behind the effort of doing individual distribution and marketing," Elise Redmond said. "It's taken on a life of its own.

"The U.S. Coast Guard has gotten involved in spreading the message nationally. The North Carolina Insurance Commissioner recently surprised Cade and gave him the North Carolina Commissioner's Award. We joke and say it's as simple as the rubber band. It's a commonsense thing that hasn't been thought of. We hope that we never see something like that again."

The Lake Norman Marine Commission (LNMC) has a "Love Where You Lake" campaign to build safety awareness around the lake.

"Elise and I started talking and she told me that she felt like this was something that needed to be addressed," John Johnson, Mecklenburg County's LNMC commissioner, said. "Our mission for the Lake Norman Marine Commission is to work to provide safe access to Lake Norman for public use. It's clearly within our jurisdiction and interest to do this.

"It'd be great if this could be a requirement, but we're not there yet. We're hoping, at some point, to have a regulation. Right now, we're looking at the carrot versus the stick. We've got some funding and will buy the rings and give them away to people. We think people will want to do the right thing and install these on their docks. I don't think a lot of people really think about it."

Johnson added most who have ordered life rings from the LNMC say it' something they hadn't thought about.

For more information or to order a float, visit <u>floatitforward.com</u> or contact the LNMC at <u>lnmc.org</u>.

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Editor's Note: To learn more about the Float it Forward campaign visit

www.thedevotedfloat.com (http://www.thedevotedfloat.com).

On October 5, 2022, a young father of two drowned just 10 feet off a dock on Lake Norman, in Cornelius, North Carolina. One person tried to save the drowning man, but was unable to reach him. It was a tragedy all too common as nearly 4,000 deaths each year are due to drowning.

There to witness this loss of life was 13-year-old Cade Redmond, whose house sits right next to where the incident happened. Shocked by what he saw, Redmond wondered how such a thing could happen so quickly and he was determined to learn more. What he found was that, unlike on boats or by pools, there are no rules or regulations for docks to carry floatation devices, and looking around he realized rescue rings were not on any of his neighbor's docks. A ring might have saved a life.

Despite having the regular busy life of a teenager, Redmond took on the challenge to get life rings in people's hands. "It was my reaction to hearing people say after the drowning if they'd had something to throw, they probably could have saved him. I took that to heart and thought I should make something out of it. I wanted to save lives," Redmond said. He launched the *Float it Forward* campaign in response and in just a few months his efforts have snowballed.

# Buy One, Give One

The concept is simple. He asked dock owners to buy a life ring for their own dock and also purchase one for a friend. With his mother Elise's assistance, the duo began taking orders and delivering life rings around Lake Norman. Their efforts caught the attention of local and state policymakers who have vowed to introduce a bill calling for mandatory life rings on public docks and access points. The Lake Norman Marine Commission's Safety Council already



Cade Redmond came up with the Float it Forward campaign.

had a "Love Where You Lake" campaign to build safety awareness around the lake, so adopting Redmond's initiative was a perfect fit. The lake police have jumped on the idea of doing duck races to raise awareness of boating and water safety. The races are the draw and while people are at each event they can learn about the importance of flotation. "The police keep saying that flotation

lives and the duck floats are now out there quacking the age," Redmond said.

(https://www.marinadockage.com)
As any teen knows, if an idea is picked up by social media it can grow quickly beyond a local effort. Redmond took his message to Instagram and created the @theDevotedFloat page, which has been rapidly gaining followers. He asks his audience to *Float it Forward*, but also requests they send fun photos that show them with a life ring to make the safety message entertaining.

The message is not only that people need to have life rings available, but the goal is to also teach people how to properly throw life rings. "Early on I didn't know how to throw a ring until I saw it on a video. I thought it was like throwing a frisbee, but you don't want to hit someone in distress with the ring. Now that I know how to do it, I want to pass that information to others," Redmond said. Videos on how to throw a ring will be complemented by online video contests for "best throw" to make safety a bit more fun.

# A Message of Safety Goes Viral

His work has attracted the interest of social media influencer,
Aaron Stasiak, aka The Qualified Captain

(https://thequalifiedcaptain.com/). The message of safety often
doesn't resonate with young people, the hot doggers, and hipsters
who won't read a pamphlet, so the goal is to put out something
creative where the audience learns without realizing they're
learning. That's the underlying basis for The Qualified Captain.
Stasiak was working for Bradley Creek Marina in Wilmington, North
Carolina, when he began witnessing the mishaps of boaters who
had no training or experience. He began filming these
experiences and sharing them online, at first as a joke, but then to
warn people what can happen if safety is ignored.

# The videos on Instagram

(https://www.instagram.com/thequalifiedcaptain/) and Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/thequalifiedcaptainspage/) went viral and now, close to a million followers later, Stasiak has a wide platform to use to tout boating safety. The success of The Qualified Captain was recognized this past year by the Sea Tow

Foundations' Boating Safety Advisory Council. The council created a special award designation, "Top Social Media Boating Safety Influencer," to tout the distinguished performance of The Qualified Captain, highlighting that while others have had success with "boating gone wrong" videos, only The Qualified Captain has tied those videos to boating safety education.

Redmond, one of Stasiak's followers, appreciated those efforts and reached out to share his concept. He wanted to see if there was a way the two could work together. "Cade sent me information and I had a conversation with him and knew he was making a good point that we needed to spread.

Local docks and ramps are missing life floats, and they should be made aware of why they need them,"

Stasiak said. The two are hoping through using the platform of The Qualified Captain, their message



Members of the Cornelius Police Department, includi officer George Brinze (left), supporting the Float it Forward campaign.

will spread to both dock owners and to government officials who they believe should be implementing rules for the placement of life rings on public docks and access points. "We want people to realize what can happen on the water. They may laugh when they see it but at the end of the day these mishaps happen and you need to keep yourself aware of the potential dangers on the water," Stasiak said.

With the speed at which social media outreach spreads, both Redmond's *Float it Forward* and Stasiak's The Qualified Captain are gearing up to be busy taking orders for life rings. To help speed the process of getting rings in hands, <u>West Marine has</u> stepped in to partner on the project

(https://fox4kc.com/business/press-releases/ein-presswire/623717191/the-devoted-float-and-the-qualified-captain-announce-national-retail-partnership-with-west-marine/) as the ring supplier. They hope to create custom floats with their logos, so anyone who sees the float will be reminded of their educational efforts.

Reflecting on why Redmond wanted to jump into the world of marketing, sponsorship, and public relations he said, "You don't know you need a life ring until something horrible happens. I want there to be a life saved by this, for people to see this is a real issue that can be solved. Such a simple act can save lives."

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# MISSION AND HISTORY

On October 5, 2022, a young father of 2 drown 10 feet off a dock in Lake Norman.

Along with others, a 13 year old boy named Cade witnessed the tragedy from his own back yard.

One of the onlookers who had jumped in to save the drowning man but couldn't, said "if only I had something to throw to him I think I could have saved him"!

This sparked the idea in Cade of "The Devoted Float", an awareness and resource organization focused on the importance of installing dockside



lifesaving devices.

Cade is working locally with the Lake
Norman Marine Commission, state
legislature, law enforecement, The
Qualified Captain and West Marine to
spread the message of encouraging all
dock owners to install a lifesaver ring.
Lifesaver rings are often found on boats
and at swimming pools, but rarely are
they found on docks. This is a simple
idea that truly can save many lives.

Cade has also started an instragram page called <u>@thedevotedfloat</u> where he asks people to install dockside flotation as well as send him fun photos of installed lifesaver rings as a way to get the message out in a light hearted way.

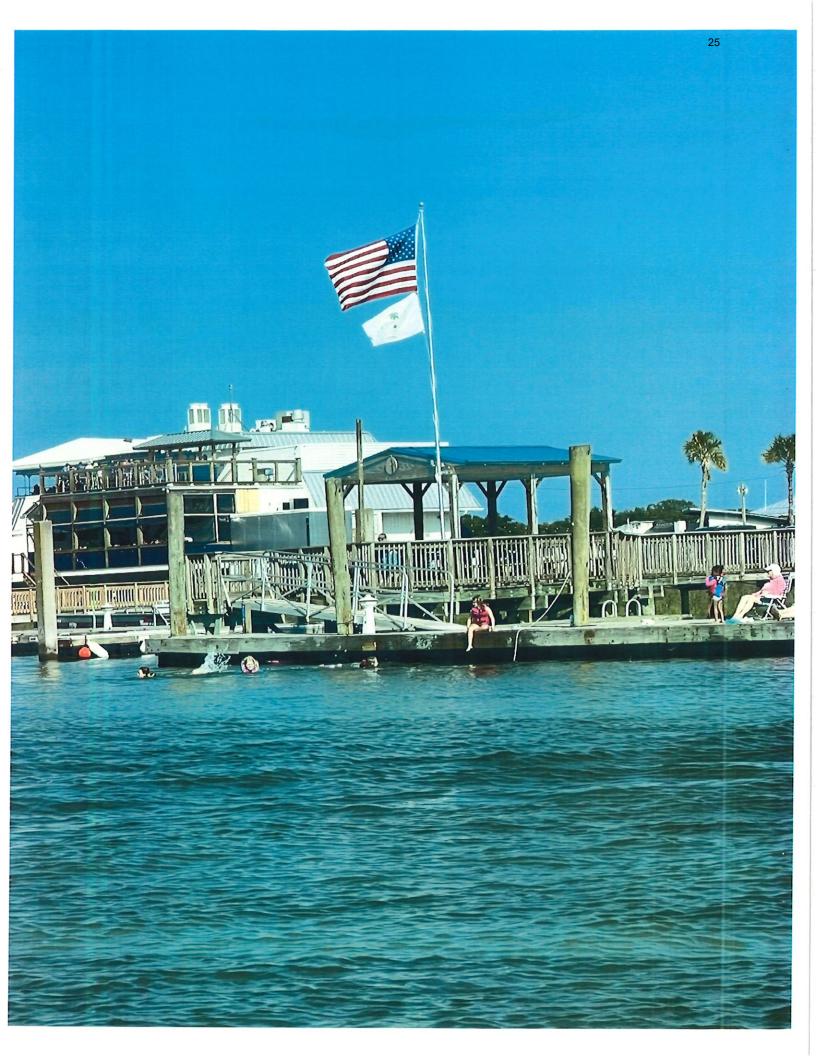
While Cade started the movement in the Lake Norman area, his message has now spread nationally.

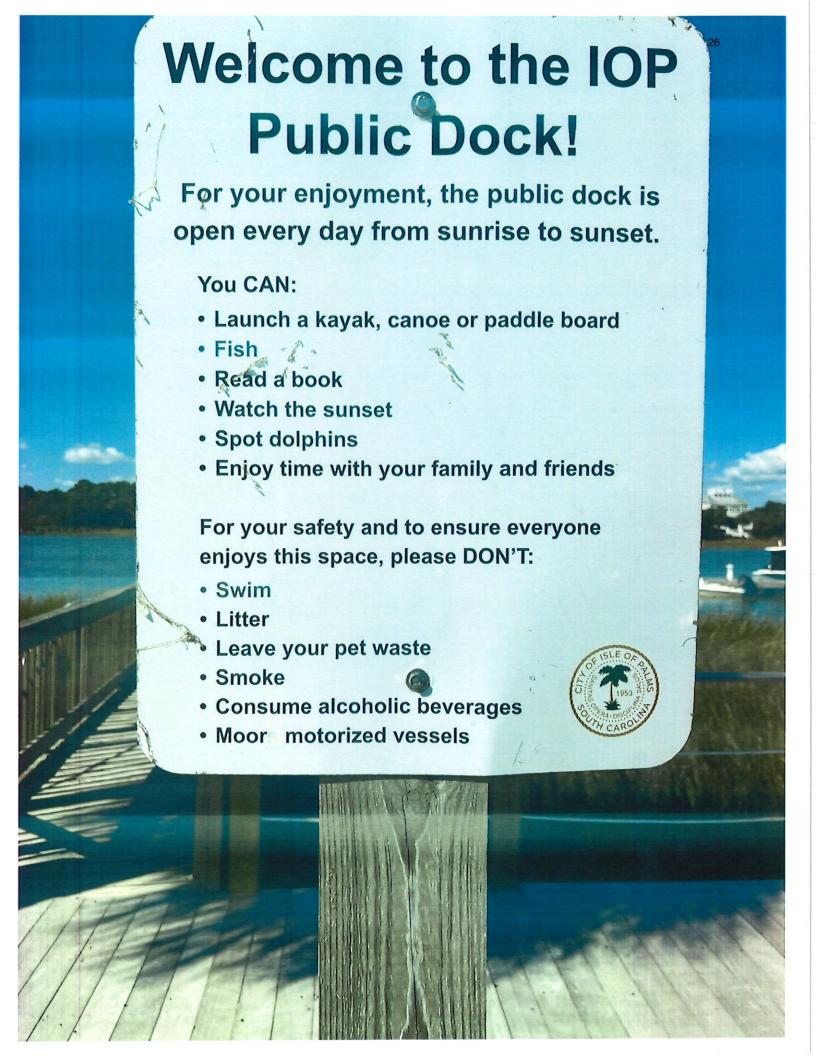
1 out of 7 injury related deaths are due to a drowning. There is very little time to rescue someone that is drowning and often those that jump in to save others find themselves quickly in trouble.

A flotation device is a valuable rescue tool and simple to use.

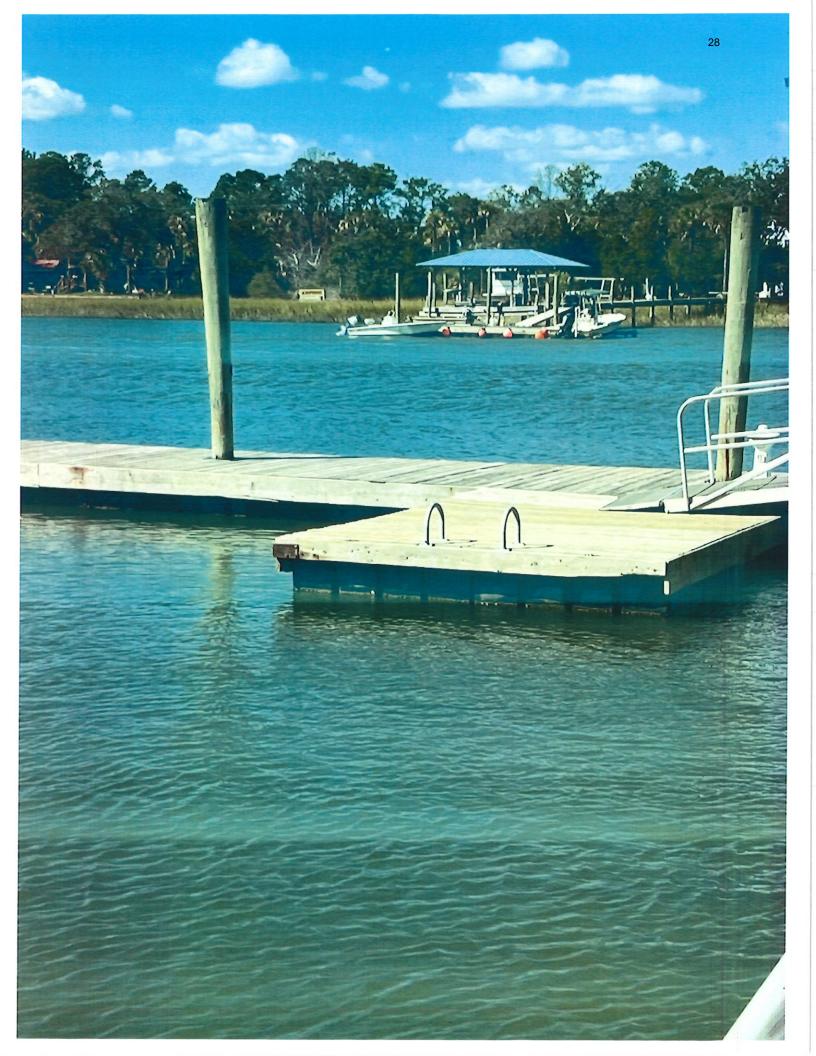
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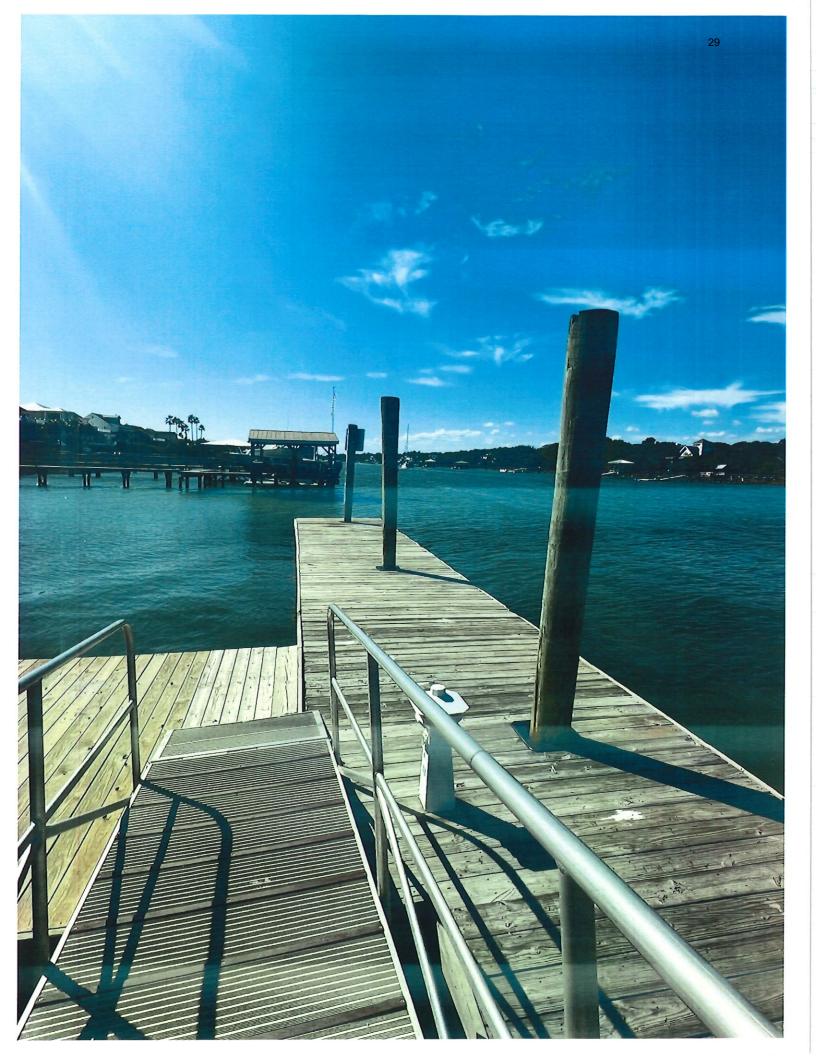


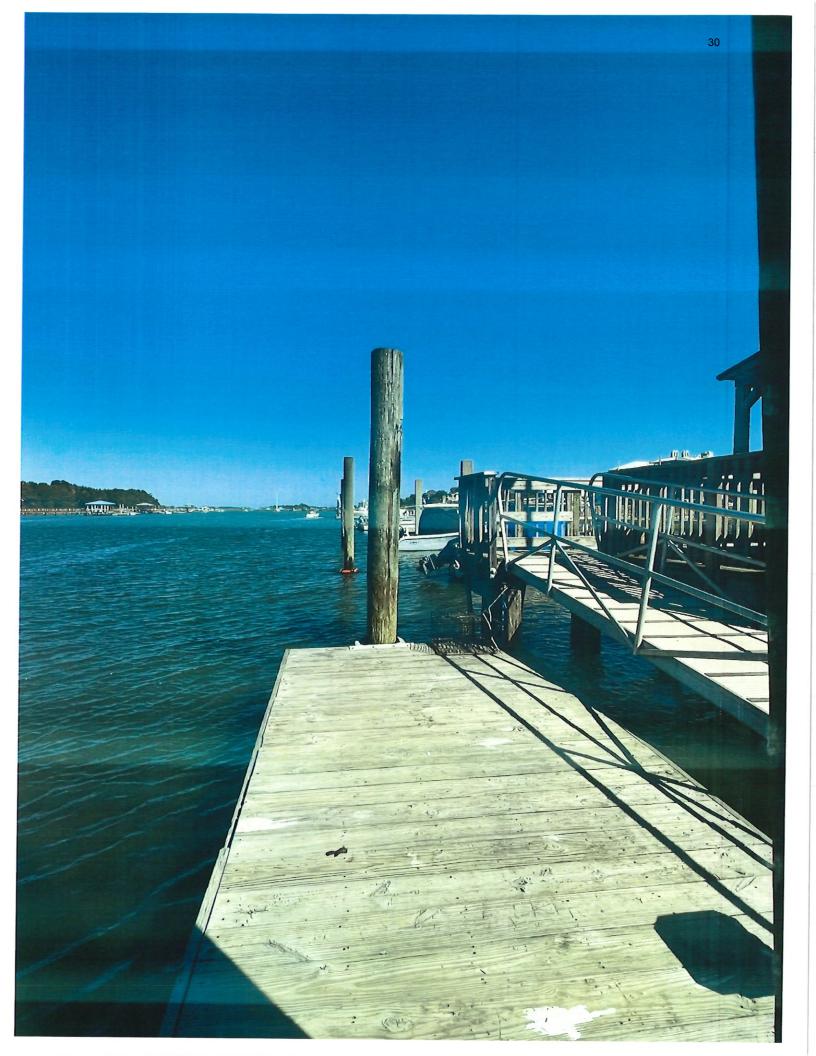




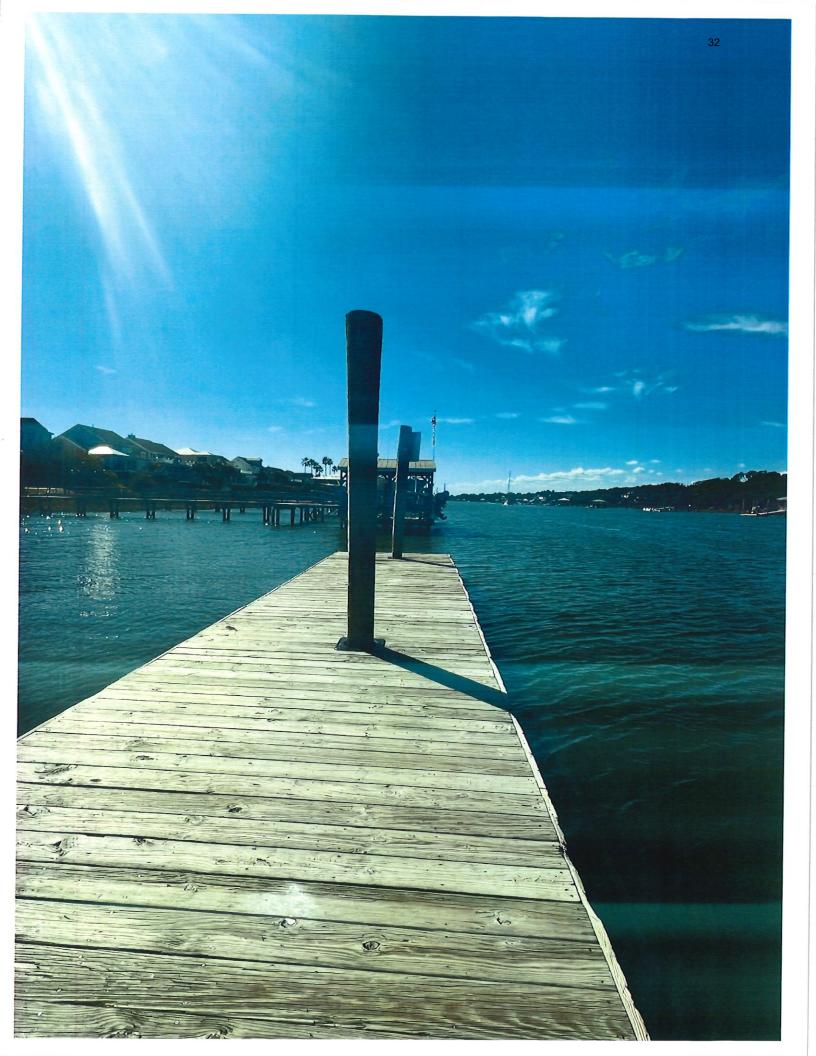


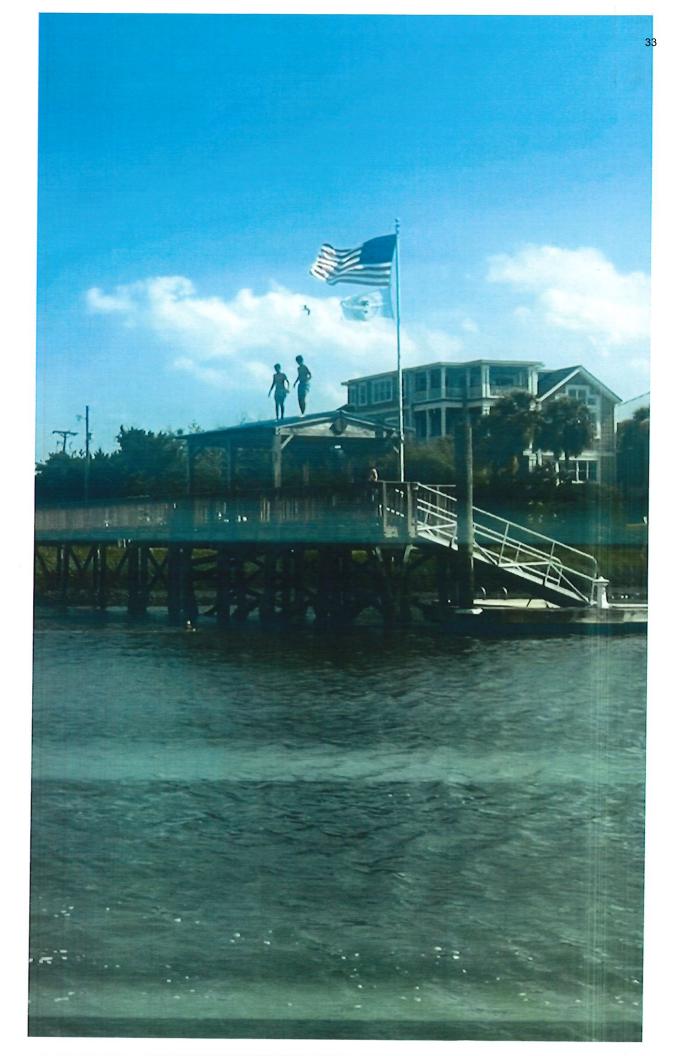












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# Five drownings across South Carolina mark tragic start to summer season

BY ALI ROCKETT AROCKETT@POSTANDCOURIER.COM JUN 16, 2023



Lifeguard-training candidates run up the beach after completing a swim on Folly Beach on May 19, 2023. File/Henry Taylor/Staff

BY HENRY TAYLOR HTAYLOR@POSTANDCOURIER.COM

A 4-year-old child. A tourist from China. A woman from Norway. A teenager helping another kid struggling on a boogie board. And a man who jumped from a boat to help a child in distress.

All drowned in the two weeks since the unofficial start of summer at some of the Palmetto State's most popular waterways and beach destinations.

Last weekend, two separate drownings were reported in Berkeley and Charleston counties, where water is always close by.



#### NEWS

Stay safe in the water this summer with these tips from Charleston lifeguards, instructors

BY ALI ROCKETT AROCKETT@POSTANDCOURIER.COM

Around 12:45 p.m. June 10, a 4-year-old from Bonneau, near Lake Moultrie, was found in a pond near the child's home. The death is being investigated as an accidental drowning, according to Berkeley County Coroner Darnell Hartwell.

Drowning is the fifth leading cause of accidental death in the United States, according to the U.S. Lifesaving Association. It is the leading cause of death for children ages 1 to 4, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



The child's death marks the third drowning so far this year in Berkeley County, matching last year's total, Hartwell confirmed.



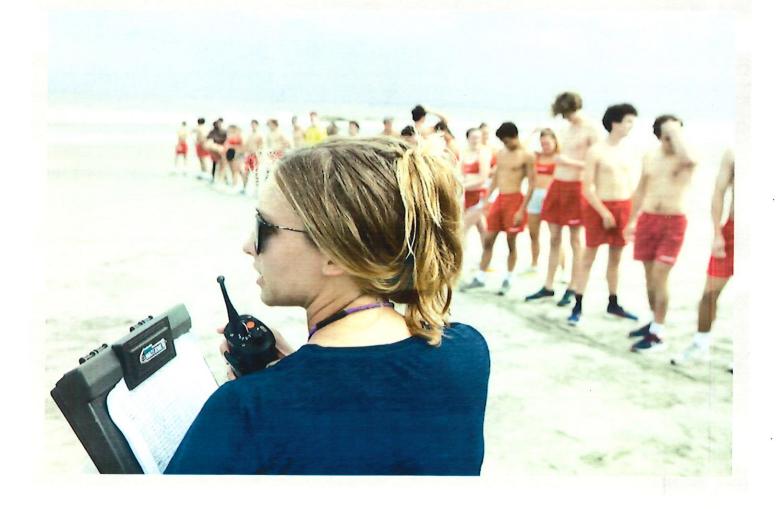
#### **FAMILY NEWS & TIPS**

Cool off at public pools in the Charleston area

BY THERESA STRATFORD

Around 3:30 p.m. June 11, lifeguards notified Folly Beach police they were performing CPR on a man they'd pulled from the ocean, according to an incident report.

Chuyang Wang died about an hour later at the Medical University of South Carolina, according to the Charleston County Coroner's Office.



Kari Lavoie, the Charleston County Parks and Recreation emergency services coordinator for aquatic safety, speaks over a walkie-talkie to a fellow lifeguard instructor to mark off a half-mile for the mile run during lifeguard training on Folly Beach on May 19, 2023. File/Henry Taylor/Staff

BY HENRY TAYLOR HTAYLOR@POSTANDCOURIER.COM

A witness, who was with the 27-year-old, told police they were visiting the area from China. He was only wading in shallows because he didn't know how to swim, the witness told police. He didn't know if Wang could swim.

It was Charleston County's second drowning this year; there were eight last year, according to the Coroner's Office.



#### NEWS

'He truly believed in helping people': Teen drowns trying to save child at SC state park

BY NICOLE ZIEGE NZIEGE@POSTANDCOURIER.COM

Two recent drownings in the state involved victims trying save others struggling in the water.

On June 6, a 16-year-old drowned at Huntington Beach State Park near Murrells Inlet along the Grand Strand.

Tre'Sean Snow of Fayetteville, N.C., was swimming with friends when he noticed another child struggling on a boogie board, according to friends and the Georgetown County Coroner's Office.

While trying to help the child, Snow was overtaken by the ocean current. He was later pronounced dead at Tidelands Waccamaw Community Hospital.

Snow's death is the first drowning this year in Georgetown County, according to Coroner Chase Ridgeway.

#### HILTON HEAD

Woman accused in drowning death of 6-year-old daughter waives bond hearing

BY TONY KUKULICH TKUKULICH@POSTANDCOURIER.COM

Around 3 p.m. June 5, a woman was found floating in the surf at Edisto Beach, according to a **statement from the town's police chief**. A "good Samaritan" pulled her from the water and a nurse who happened to be nearby started CPR.

The woman, who died shortly after, was identified as 26-year-old Live Andersen, from Norway, Colleton County Coroner Richard Harvey told The State

newspaper. Harvey did not respond to a Post and Courier request for information.

Around 4 p.m. June 3, Caleb Cohen was on a boat on Lake Keowee in the Upstate when a child swimming nearby appeared to be in distress, according to Oconee County Coroner Karl Addis.

The 35-year-old from Moore jumped into the water and didn't resurface. His body was found several hours later beneath 42 feet of water, according to an incident report.

No other injuries were reported, and the child was pulled back to safety by another adult in the boat.

It is the first drowning in Oconee County so far this year, Addis said. At this point last year, the county had seen four drownings. By the end of 2022, eight drownings were reported, three of which occurred at Lake Keowee.

Reach Ali Rockett at 843-901-1708. Follow her on Twitter @AliRockettPC.

#### MORE INFORMATION

Tropical Storm Bret could bring further SC rip current risk after NWS advisory expires

Investigation continues into apparent Summerville child drowning

Drowning-prevention program now available in Colleton and Dorchester counties

#### **ALI ROCKETT**

Ali Rockett covers crime and public safety in the Charleston area. She previously worked at papers in Virginia and her home state of North Carolina.

My name is Les Kutcher. I live at 9 Ocean Point Drive. Full disclosure, I am a sitting Director on the WDCA Board. My comments and concerns today, however, are mine and mine alone. They do not reflect the positions or opinions of the WDCA Board or of the WD Resort.

My 1st comment has to do with my distaste for spin or manipulation of the facts for no purpose other than to obscure, confuse, and disturb. Those of us who are full time residents and registered voters and who support the referendum that imposes a fair and reasonable cap on STRs, have been labeled a "special interest group" by those who oppose any STR Cap. Those that so stridently oppose the Cap, are, for the most part, well funded, deep pocketed commercial entities that include, but are not limited to, the IOP Chamber of Commerce, CTAR, Isle of Palms United, IOP Nation, and the WD Resort. These commercial interests all benefit directly and significantly from revenues generated by STRs. They are clearly not motivated by such quality of life considerations as traffic, congestion, safety, noise, or preservation of the environment. Those that support a Cap, such as Preserve IOP, and Silent Majority IOP, are constituted entirely by IOP homeowners of all owner classes, and are funded by volunteer contributions from individuals who live, and/or own homes on the IOP. Candidates Scott Pierce, Elizabeth Campsen, Tim Ahmuty, and Brian Duffy, all of whom support a Cap, are themselves, self funded. Not a dime is generated by any of these organizations or candidates from any commercial interest. How can such a grass-roots effort entirely funded by locally residing individuals, be labeled "special interest." In fact, those that profit from STRs and do not live, vote or own homes on IOP are the "Special Interest."

I will not endeavor, at this time, to refute the wearied talking points shared by those that oppose the Cap. These have already been thoroughly and honestly addressed by Preserve IOP and Silent Majority IOP. What I will say is that such talking points are a testament to the adage, often put to practical use by those who wish to cling to power, control, or the status quo, "if you keep them uninformed and afraid, they will follow you anywhere."

As long as we are on the topic of spin, I would like to congratulate the author of those street signs asking voters to preserve our neighborhoods by voting "No" on the referendum. You have successfully pushed the limits of what is believable to a heretofore never imagined height.

Finally, I have a question for Mayor Pounds and the Council.

On the "Support Wild Dunes Resort" website, the following is highlighted:

On November 15, 2022, the City of Isle of Palms passed five ordinances that stripped Wild Dunes LLC's remaining development rights. These ordinances were passed without due process and proper procedure and were created to address issues unrelated to Wild Dunes that resulted from years of poor infrastructure management and poor code enforcement. As a result of the City's actions, ownership was left to seek protection of its rights through litigation. While the lawsuit is ongoing, the City is legally required to enter mediation proceedings within 300 days of the lawsuit being filed, which took place January 12, 2023. 300 days from the filing date is November 8, 2023, and at present, with a city council election scheduled for November 7, 2023, the city has yet to enter mediation proceedings.

In response, it has been learned from City Administration that "no scheduling order is in place and thus no mediation deadline" exists.

Can you address this obvious and troubling inconsistency? I expect you will say you are unable to discuss ongoing litigation, but the Resort obviously does not feel similarly encumbered.

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City Council 10/24/23; Clouse Comments (Meeting No. 26 since 4/13/2022) Regarding NOISE ORDINANCE; NUISANCE.

Requesting for the **eighteenth (18th) time** (twice in writing) to provide us written assurances regarding enforcement of § 9-2-5 (b)(c). "Amplified Music" from Sweetgrass has resulted into a "Nuisance", which is being perpetrated by the City, as a result of not enforcing the ordinance.

Regarding the **Livability Statistics** report: Constructively, we would like to see a number of detailed footnotes at the bottom of said report regarding definitions and column explanations. We are not writing to our audience; we are writing to ourselves.

All of you are fully apprised of the "White Wedding" event at the Sweetgrass Event Center this past Friday night (10/20/23). Based on our documentation, this is an epitome of a **Nuisance.** How does someone with this behavior keep their license?

Called the Police beginning at 7:48PM continuing until 11:37PM, for a total of **seven (7)** times (see attached). Three (3) officers, very polite, rang our door bell around 8:15PM. They informed us they had issued a citation. While talking on our **front porch** for a few minutes, the noise continuing, they stated the noise was too loud, they were going back and issue another citation.

Hooping and hollering continued until 1:16AM.

All the above resulted in one (1) citation. Enforcement? Livability?

Now we know why the Empire is not responded to our "Back to the Future" proposal.

For the first time since November 2022 we are increasing our denominator from 5 to 6.

Narratives: Since we are living in the Official Rumor Mill Capital of the World ("RMCW"); we have been strongly encouraged to reiterate the following:

We purchased **Lot 1** in the Grand Pavilion in **1988**; based on a title issue, orchestrated a like kind exchange for **Lot 3** in **1991**. Moved from Indiana to South Carolina in **2013**. Executed a building contract in early **2017**; received a Certificate of Occupancy on **12/31/2018** (our personal residence).

The Math: thirty-six (36) years of uninterrupted ownership in IOP. Thirty (30) years at 6%; six (6) years at 4%. Rumor Mill CEO, please delete our account.

**Final Point:** We are not entitled. Our livability can not be a derivative based on years of ownership. Whether **thirty-six (36) years** or **thirty-six (36) days**......one's livability needs to be equal for all.

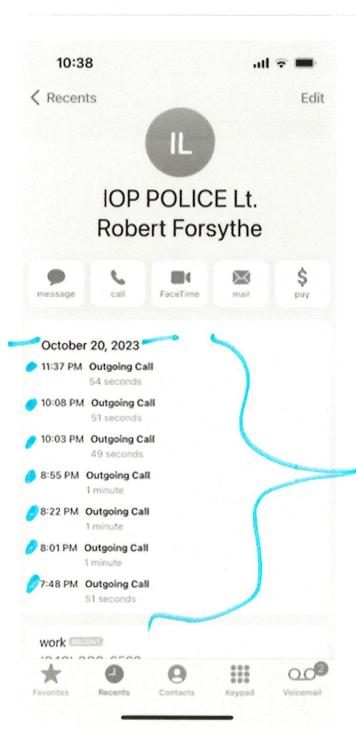
The Crowes were no where to be heard last Friday night.

#### (No Subject)

From: al clouse (awclouse@yahoo.com)

To: awclouse@yahoo.com

Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 10:41 AM EDT







#### Remarks of Kevin Cunnane

Thank you for the opportunity to speak, remarks copied below.

I was asked to speak by local first responders and citizens.

First Responders need proper staffing, equipment and pay, not just accolades.

Firefighter staffing is measured by a minimum standard called NFPA 1710. IOP does not meet the standard and neither do its closest back ups in the mutual aid system.

Mutual aid is not a primary response strategy, it is a back up for major events and multiple incidents simultaneously. Recently the IOP Ladder truck responded as second ladder to Dunes West in Mount Pleasant. Thank you for that, but look at the travel time and ask if your family was waiting to be rescued would you want the ladder coming from Dunes West? Its 11 miles away and about a 23 minute response time. In a situation where seconds count... That. Is. An. Eternity.

Pay for first responders has a critical impact upon the retention and skill level of your responders. Low pay leads to retention problems and constantly training new employees impacting morale, and efficiency of your emergency services, both Police and Fire.

How has responder pay kept up with the increasing tax base and budgets?

Please look into the history of horrific Beach house fires such as the one in 2007 in Ocean Isle NC where 7 college students died. Being near the ocean brings higher winds and faster fires that's just a fact.

Responders always step up and do the right thing. They make tremendous sacrifices for all of us. The least our local governments can do is do right by them at budget time.

Thank you.



# Special City Council Meeting 10:00am, Monday, November 13, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Hahn, Miars, Streetman, Anderson, Pierce, and Mayor

Pounds

Absent: Council members Bogosian, Popson, and Ward

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Chief Cornett

#### 2. **Purpose -** – Presentations from parking management and enforcement vendors

Similar to the Special Public Safety Committee meeting of September 28, 2023, representatives from The Car Park, Pivot Parking, Municipal PCI, and One Parking gave presentations about their parking management and enforcement offerings. Each team spoke about how they would manage parking around the island, how they intend to staff and train their parking management team, proposed signage notifying the public of parking payment options, the use of LPR technology in parking management, other municipalities in which they currently manage parking, proposed management of residential parking permits, and options to notify the public of the locations of open parking spaces. Each team also presented high-level financial compensation packages. All teams indicated their parking management program will increase parking revenue for the City.

For this meeting, each company was asked to provide more details on their fee structure, proposed technologies they will utilize, how those technologies increase efficiencies, and their approach to enforcement.

#### 3. Adjournment

Council Member Streetman made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk



#### SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING -- WORKSHOP

#### 5:00pm, Tuesday, November 14, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard and

broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to order

Present: Council members Bogosian (via Zoom), Hahn, Popson, Anderson, Ward,

Miars, Pierce, and Mayor Pounds

Absent: Council Member Streetman

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Kerr, various department heads

#### 2. Citizens' Comments

Mr. Al Clouse's comments are attached to these minutes.

Mr. Andrew Vega, 104 Sparrow Drive, asked City Council to consider two changes to the noise ordinance draft including an adjustment to Section 925, paragraph G, Exceptions, Rule 6 by adding in Friday instead of just Monday through Thursday and allowing a time earlier than 9am on the weekends to begin yard work.

Ms. Terri Haack, representing the owners of Wild Dunes, supports the adoption of a City-wide noise ordinance. She said a clear, enforceable standard is needed. She asked City Council to consider extending the length of the testing time for a noise violation from 15 seconds to 2 minutes. She also suggested a revision in subsection C-5 to clarify "how will the tester judge whether the noise source is speech or music if there are other blends of many other sounds."

#### 3. Special Presentations

#### Presentation from Evergreen - Wage and Compensation Study Review

Ms. Allie Crumpler of Evergreen presented the most recent Wage & Compensation review. She outlined the study goals, reviewed the data gathered and included in the review, shared the results of the market salary survey, and presented salary plan options along with implementations by option.

Council Member Pierce asked for tenures by quartile.

Mayor Pounds said the Administration Committee will review the recommendations at their November 20 meeting, hoping they can give a recommendation to full Council at the November

28 meeting. He asked Ms. Crumpler to provide Council with verbatims regarding benefit suggestions from the employee survey.

#### 4. Dashboard of City Operations

Administrator Fragoso said there are three police officer vacancies, three paramedic vacancies, and two firefighter vacancies. Police Department charges and the court docket are trending ahead of this time last year. There were 42 automatic aid calls last month and 35 were cancelled in route. Data on the automatic aid program will be consolidated in the new year as the one-year pilot program wraps up.

New building permits are down. As of October 31, 1,850 short-term rental licenses have been issued with five more pending.

Administrator Fragoso reported that the 2023 dwelling data from the County has been received and there is no change in the distribution of 4% and 6% dwellings.

Council Member Hahn asked why there was a noticeable increase in the number of calls to the Fire Department, and Chief Oliverius said he could not identify a trend. He said there has been no change to the types of calls they are responding to.

- 5. **Departmental Reports** in the meeting packet
- 6. Strategic Plan Policy Initiatives and Priorities
- A. Livability
- i. Discussion of addition of the license registration module to Rentalscape agreement

Administrator Fragoso said they would like to secure the license registration module for Rentalscape to provide staff workflow efficiencies. The cost of adding the module is included in the budget.

### ii. Discussion of Planning Commission recommendations regarding new noise ordinance

Director Kerr summarized the work done by the Planning Commission that led to these recommendations. In addition to Mr. Cohen cleaning up the technical details in the draft ordinance, he said the biggest takeaway was the Commission's attempt to differentiate between the "ambient sound that is just uncontrollable and then what they have kind of defined as raucous noise, speech, things that are controllable." He then reviewed the changes suggested by the Commission.

Council Member Pierce suggested the addition of a table that details the permissable decibel levels in each zone and by time of day.

Discussion about the terms "plainly audible" and "raucous" noise ensued. Chief Cornett believes the definition of "plainly audible" is enforceable. Director Kerr said, "The plainly audible language is E3, that's loudspeakers, trucks, amplifiers, electrical devices on public streets,

sidewalks, or other outdoor public places under the control of the City in a manner to be plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet."

Mayor Pounds suggested this draft ordinance be reviewed by the new Public Safety Committee in January. Council Member Anderson would like to see residential and commercial infractions treated separately.

#### B. Environmental

### Discussion of recommendation from Environmental Advisory Committee to continue glass recycling program at the annual cost of \$9,600

Director Kerr said the Environmental Advisory Committee recommends continuing this glass recycling program. Fisher Recycling has taken over 1,000 pounds of glass from the island every week for the last year. They will be adding more bins to the pickup locations.

#### C. Public Services

#### i. Discussion of parking management proposals

Mayor Pounds said he would like to narrow down the choices for the parking management proposals to two and then do an in-depth analysis of their financial offerings. Council Member Hahn believes that PCI and Pivot have the most experience with communities similar to IOP. Council Member Pierce would like to complete a financial analysis of all four offerings before narrowing down the selections.

Administrator Fragoso said any company will need 30-60 days to settle the contract and get set up prior to the start of the season. She would like to have someone in place by March 1. The matter will be discussed further at City Council meeting on November 28.

### ii. Discussion of using budget savings to purchase and installation of apparatus by fans and LED light upgrades in Fire Station 2

Administrator Fragoso said Chief Oliverius has suggested using the considerable budget savings (over \$100,000) from the purchase and installation of the exhaust systems to purchase and install fans and LED light upgrades in Fire Station 2.

#### D. Personnel

#### Discussion of wage and compensation study review

Mayor Pounds said this study review will be discussed further by the Administration Committee at their meeting on November 20.

#### E. Other items for discussion

## i. Discussion of Ordinance 2022-15 which amended standing committees from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

Mayor Pounds said he would like to see the current structure of standing committees continue into the next year. Administrator Fragoso said an ordinance will be drafted for consideration of First Reading at the November 28 meeting and can be amended at the December 5 meeting, if necessary. Or Second Reading can be held at the January meeting, giving new Council members an opportunity to weigh in on the matter.

### ii. Discussion of resolution authorizing consumption of beer and wine, road closure, and amplified music at Holiday Street Festival on December 2, 2023

Mayor Pounds said this will be voted on at the November 28 Council meeting.

### iii. Discussion of resolution to adopt the Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Program for Public Information

Mayor Pounds said this is the annual adoption of this program is tied to insurance ratings and resiliency efforts.

## iv. Discussion of recommendations from the ATAX Committee for the following State Accommodations grant requests for tourism related expenditures:

IOP Chamber of Commerce – Light-up Front Beach, \$10,000 Mary Alice Monroe, Ltd. – Wild Dunes Author Event - \$20,000 YWCA Greater Charleston – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute Week VIP Reception - \$2,500

Mayor Pounds said these recommendations stem from the ATAX Committee opening up a second round of funding of sponsorships with money budgeted for FY24. Council Member Ward asked if the Mary Alice Monroe and YWCA events are open to the public. Administrator Fragoso reported the Mary Alice Monroe Author's Event is open to the public via ticket purchase, and the YWCA event is private reception honoring the tribute week donors. She said part of the reason the ATAX Committee did not award more money to the YWCA event is because it has no data on its economic impact to the island. She noted that there is no requirement in State ATAX law that an event has to be open to the public to receive funding. She added that the funding for Mary Alice Monroe's event is contingent upon her organization becoming a 501(C)(3).

#### 7. Financial Review

#### A. Financial Statements and Project Worksheets

Director Hamilton said as of 10/31/23, "all funds combined are 24% of revenue and 25% for expenses." She pointed out expenses for the beach scraping were originally recorded in the Disaster Recovery Fund but are now being recorded in the Beach Preservation Fund. Revenues are starting to come in for property taxes.

The cash balance is \$42 million, earning 5.63% interest, with \$21 million restricted.

\$196,000 in Municipal ATAX funds have been received, which is a 2% increase over last year. \$913,000 has been received from State ATAX, which is a 4% decrease from last year. The County ATAX pass through has not been received yet. Hospitality taxes received were \$131,000, which is 13% over last year. Monies received for both the Beach Preservation Fund (\$196,000) and LOST (\$107,000) were 2% over last year.

Mayor Pounds, referencing a cash flow page, said he would like to discuss with Council at the January workshop future cash needs related to upcoming projects and the \$42 million cash reserve.

#### B. Discussion of distribution of FY23 positive net result

Mayor Pounds said the audit will be presented at the December meeting. Director Hamilton said previous positive net results have been distributed 15% to the General Fund, 5% to Disaster Recovery, and 85% to Capital Projects in the past.

#### 8. **Procurement**

# A. Discussion of change order from Quality Enterprises for Phase 3 Drainage Project in the amount of \$31,356 to cover additional material quantities due to rotating junction box structure and additional paving quantities

Administrator Fragoso said this change order is "to accommodate for a change in quantities related to the rotation and placement of a junction box structure as part of our Phase Three. This is the outfall project we have going on today, and also there was the excavation and paving footprint was higher than anticipated at bid. So this would be accommodating that change."

She said the expense can be covered by the budgeted project contingency of \$138,000. She does not anticipate any further use for the contingency as the project is 75% complete. Staff recommends the approval of the change order.

# B. Discussion of change order from Coastal Science & Engineering in the amount not to exceed \$65,000 for ongoing engineering services related to the emergency beach work around the Breach Inlet area

Administrator Fragoso explained, "This summer when City Council approved the first budget of \$250,000 to realize a trucking project to address the erosion problems we've been having on the Breach Inlet side, as part of that cost estimate, we had a proposal from CS&E for \$22,000 that was inclusive of the 250 that was approved. That project assumed essentially a two-week project of a trucking project. As you all know, after Hurricane Idalia, it has been an ongoing emergency project. We have been relying on CS&E for their expertise, for their oversight of the Collins construction project. They are doing a lot of surveying and data collection, and again being here weekly to oversee not only the contractor, but how the work is progressing, weekly, daily pretty much, certainly daily. So at that time, when we engaged CS&E for this particular project, again, it was very detailed, a scope-specific project that has morphed into an ongoing operation because of the issues and the challenges that we have been having there. So I fully recommend this and

request City Council approve this amendment so that we can compensate the work that CS&E has been doing on our behalf."

Council Member Pierce asked for more details from CS&E on what the change order covers.

Council Member Hahn asked what the City's portion of the Army Corps' beneficial use project will be, and Administrator Fragoso estimates \$200,000-\$300,000.

#### 9. Capital Projects Update

Administrator Fragoso said the roadwork for the 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue outfall project was completed ahead of schedule. The expectation is for the project to be completed in January. The City has received the executed contract for the 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue outfall project and construction is anticipated to start at the end of January.

The City hopes to hear from FEMA about the grant for the Waterway Boulevard Multi-Use Path sometime in the first quarter of 2024. Legal review of the contract with Thomas & Hutton for the design and permitting of the project continues.

A kickoff meeting for the Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan was held last month. Stakeholder meetings are being coordinated.

The bid for the repairs at the T-dock has gone out and is due on November 21. She believes there will be 3-4 bidders for the project.

Administrator Fragoso has received a report from ATM with their final analysis on the disposal alternatives for the marina dredging project. She will meet with them soon to review next steps, but they are fully contracted to start working on the permit application.

The City is awaiting final feedback from the County on the Emergency Vehicle Access Path approved by City Council last month. She is unsure if the City needs to wait for the whole board to approve the project before putting the project out to bid.

Surveys of the beach access paths the City would like to improve have been ordered.

Staff had a meeting with the design-build team looking at the City Hall renovation project. A 3D scan of the building was done yesterday as part of the assessment of current conditions and the review of alternatives for Council to consider.

The Outdoor Fitness Court has been installed and a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held next month. The dog park fence has been installed. Staff is waiting for some additional play equipment to be installed. She believes it will be finished at the first of the year.

Administrator Fragoso reported that construction on the undergrounding of electrical lines at 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue will begin next year. Dominion Energy is in the process of acquiring easements and determining the location of infrastructure. She also shared that undergrounding work at 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue will not be able to happen in conjunction with the outfall project as it is more complicated than anticipated. Construction details that will help facilitate the project in the future have been identified.

Feedback on the preliminary concepts for improvements to Palm Boulevard has been shared with SCDOT. Administrator Fragoso will share their revisions with Council when they are received.

The Charleston County Transportation Committee has approved \$26,000 for sidewalk repair, widening, and expansion at 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Construction is anticipated sometime next year. It will be a raised concrete sidewalk along the curve in that area.

#### 10. Legislative Report

#### 11. **Adjournment**

Council Member Popson made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Anderson seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk

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### City Council 11/14/23; Clouse Comments (Meeting No. 27 since 4/13/2022) Regarding NOISE ORDINANCE; NUISANCE.

Requesting for the nineteenth (19th) time (twice in writing) to provide us written assurances regarding enforcement of § 9-2-5 (b)(c). "Amplified Music" from Sweetgrass has resulted into a "Nuisance", which is being perpetrated by the City, as a result of not enforcing the ordinance.

Requesting for the **third (3rd) time** to enforce § 9-2-5 (i)(1)(2)......Nuisance. We have requested, in writing, the city issue a **cease and desist** order to the Sweetgrass Inn as a result of Sweetgrass's contagious noise violations over the past three (3) years. At this time, our city has demonstrated, they do not have **the will** to do the right thing. Do not have **the will** to rescue the residents from the **Empire**.

To compound my harsh words, the Planning Commission's proposed noise ordinance is nothing more than a classic, egregious, order taking process, to appease special commercial interest groups; all at the expense of the residents. This proposal picks the winners and picks the losers. Further deteriorating the livability for residents located in the 57th Ave area.

**The Planning Commission Proposal:** Extends noise an additional 3 hrs a day; 4 hrs on Friday and Saturday; allowing the noise to start at 7:00 AM as compared to 10:00 AM. Good for **residents** who live next to the Sweetgrass, an event center? **Hell No!** Allowing Sweetgrass **75 dBA's:** based on our experience over three (3) years, is like giving a pyromaniac matches for Christmas. Clearly, the planning commission took an order from the Sweetgrass, a commercial event center, located in a residential neighborhood.

We requested noise abatement from Sweetgrass 1 1/2 years ago. They recently performed **their** noise sound study. As Councilman Streetman said, "we all know what it is going to tell us".

Planning extinguished the Nuisance section in the proposed ordinance. Who benefits from this? Not the residents! However, I guess based on the city's past results, what difference does it make?

Respectfully, we request the proposed ordinance to be tabled until January 1, 2024. The approval of this ordinance must not be bifurcated between two (2) different councils. We believe this body of government has noise ordinance fatigue; needing some new eyes on the situation.

Let's not build a bad mouse trap in an effort to extinguish the cats.

Right now, the Crowes sound pretty good!!

#### Proposed Noise Ordinance 11/14/23

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From: awclouse@yahoo.com (awclouse@yahoo.com)

To: ppounds@iop.net; roxbc29@yahoo.com; jward@iop.net; spierce@iop.net; jbogosian@iop.net; desireef@iop.net; kcornett@iop.net; bhahn@iop.net; jan.anderson@iop.net; dkerr@iop.net; tony@taxsearchinc.com; kmiars@iop.net; kpopson@iop.net; prb.bell@gmail.com; rstreetman@iop.net; thaack@lowe-re.com; bconnelly@convoglaw.com; jimanderson.253@gmail.com; rok2080@gmail.com; liliensrobert@gmail.com; vbkraus@aol.com; george.knab@gmail.com; sgreiman@csa.canon.com; nwiemann@comcast.net; caroliop@bellsouth.net; rforsythe@iop.net; lkutcher@gmail.com; thepublicationsspecialist@gmail.com; a1bookworm@bellsouth.net; tuckerl@mindspring.com; rickbradley@outlook.com; edward.fitzpatrick@faegredrinker.com; jimmy@jimmycarroll.com; nico.scherman@destinationhotels.com; davek@wilddunesowners.org; jacobh@wilddunesowners.org; slh@aol.com; owensjb50@comcast.net; davidwheeler@mvalaw.com; tom.nolan@destinationhotels.com; ddcohen92@bellsouth.net; nicoled@iop.net; andy\_clouse@yahoo.com; molly@charlestonpms.com; francisfamily1@outlook.com; njs29451@gmail.com; theboard@wilddunesowners.org; lynn@luckydognews.com; amandacubello@yahoo.com; jeffery.payne@destinationhotels.com; carolynf@wilddunesowners.org

Date: Saturday, November 11, 2023, 11:24 AM EST

#### TO ALL:

Attached please find the current **proposed** noise ordinance which is on the **Council Agenda** dated November 14, 2023.

Frankly, this is nothing more than a classic, egregious, order taking process, by the City, to appease special commercial interest groups; all at the expense of the residents.

It is very clear...... the City picked the winners and they picked the losers.

The proposed noise ordinance further deteriorates the livability for residents located in the 57th Avenue area. Full stop.

Let me be clear, the proposed noise ordinance does not work for us.

Respectfully,

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PROPOSED NOISE ORDINANCE 11:14:23.pdf 269.6kB



# Special Administration Committee Meeting Monday, November 20, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Bogosian, Pierce and Streetman

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Kerr, various department heads

- 2. **Citizen's Comments --** none
- 3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes September 14, 2023

Council Member Streetman made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2023, and Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 4. **Old Business** -- none
- 5. New Business

### A. Discussion and consideration of wage and compensation study results and recommendations

Stacy Whichel and Allie Crumpler of Evergreen joined the meeting via Zoom to answer Committee members' questions about the wage and compensation study.

Committee members expressed concern about a small sample size of data from peer municipalities. Ms. Whichel explained how they came up with average salary range data. She also explained how they need to FOIA salary data from municipalities and that a State statute allows municipalities to opt out of providing data for salary studies. She added that they use secondary sources to check against the data they do receive.

Administrator Fragoso said, "Just as a reminder for context. The City adopted and pursued a pretty comprehensive wage and compensation study report a couple years ago, and part of the compensation philosophy that City Council at that time adopted included wanting to be competitive and at market for our general positions and leading in Public Safety. I think with the results of this survey, it is showing us that what we have pretty much known throughout the year and the reason why we requested City Council to approve doing a review of our compensation plan is that we are falling behind compared to our neighbors particularly in the region, and that coupled with the reality of still having vacancies that haven't been filled in about a year, how long it has taken us to fill some of the vacancies that we have been able to fill really spoke to us a

need and frankly an urgent need to review this. I think there is an expectation or desire for Council to want to reaffirm the compensation philosophy, and if the City is still in a position of wanting to be leading in Public Safety and have competitive compensation for all employees then here are some options that we can look at and see how that would impact our current personnel or starting salaries for new recruitment and ultimately of course, how that impacts the City budget and in our efforts to plan forward. So there is a sense of urgency on my part just because I am seeing where we have been this year just how difficult it has been to fill vacancies. Just for example in the Police Department, we have three vacancies that we've been trying to fill. Those three folks did leave to another department, and we are seeing particularly in the Police Department, we are seeing a lot of people leave or just changing their careers. We know the challenges with policing in general in this nation are difficult, but we are seeing people leaving to other municipalities. We are seeing the quality of candidates that we have had to, that we are working on, and part of the reason why the vacancies have taken so long is people are just not meeting our minimum requirements. We see the same thing with fire paramedics. It's a new initiative that the City started this year. The folks that came to the City we've hired, all three have taken pay cuts to come work with us."

Ms. Whichel explained the options provided in the study how to adjust the salaries of City staff. Administrator Fragoso asked for clarity on how incoming Public Safety personnel with multiple years of service are compensated for that. Ms. Whichel explained how other municipalities value previous years of service, but cap it at a certain number. Chief Cornett and Chief Oliverius agreed that is how they have seen it done at previous departments. Chief Oliverius noted that retirement has been expanded from 25 to 28 years and the current step table does not reflect that.

Council Member Bogosian said he would like to handle the compensation plans for Public Safety personnel separately from General Government personnel. He would like to see a plan that adjusts the compensation of Public Safety personnel over a two-year period. Council Member Streetman expressed a sense of urgency in adjusting the Public Safety compensation in light of the City staff stating lower pay was their largest concern.

Administrator Fragoso said the City needs to recognize the specialties of Public Safety personnel, the increased call volume, and the increased expectations regarding level of service. She agreed there is a sense of urgency in increasing compensation to attract the best personnel.

She suggested, "If there is a recommendation that comes out of the Committee from a philosophical level, at a minimum, do we want to present to Council options that put police and fire first at a leading capacity compared to our peers? We can work with Evergreen to understand exactly what the numbers of that would be and how aggressive we can be to do that, to be competitive and present what the fully loaded cost would be to Council and what the projections would look like."

Council Member Bogosian agreed and would like to schedule another meeting following the holiday to dive deeper into the compensation for General Government.

#### B. Interviews for City's Boards and Commissions

Administrator Fragoso explained the openings that need to be filled across the City's boards and commission.

Ellen Gower explained why she would like to be on the Board of Zoning Appeals. She is involved in many island organizations including the Exchange Club and the Turtle Team. Ms. Gower believes the BOZA guidelines are clear so that if a variance request does not meet the guidelines, it cannot be granted.

Robert Miller also came before the Committee for a position on the Board of Zoning Appeals. He has no zoning experience, but he would like to be part of City leadership. He believes he may be tougher on variances as a lot of variances are not good for the community. He said he will learn about City code from the staff experts.

Susie Wheeler would like to be on the Board of Zoning Appeals. She does not have zoning experience but has worked in real estate settlements. She believes in listening to the concerns of those that come before the BOZA and balancing their requests with the law.

Laura Lovins explained her numerous works in support of the environment including the Turtle Team and the Audubon Shorebird Steward program. She also recently completed the South Carolina Master Naturalist Program to better understand the island environment. She would like to see the Environmental Advisory Committee address the "sleeping" problem related to septic tanks on the island. She would also like to see expanded leash laws to protect shorebird nests and restrictions on electric bikes on the beach.

Lucia Spiotta would like to be on the Environmental Advisory Committee. She is interested in learning how the government works, science, and how to use that knowledge to help protect the beach. She would like to learn more about the glass recycling program and bettering the flooding beach access paths.

Ted McKnight said he would like to be on ATAX so that he can learn more about how those tax dollars are used. He believes the ATAX money is being used to attract people to the island and is unsure how it helps the individual homeowner. He understands there needs to be legislative work done to change the 30% funds.

Mary Margaret Nelms believes her marketing, advertising, and leadership experience would benefit the ATAX Committee. She said she does not know about how intricacies of the ATAX law, but she would like to help grow tourism on the island. She was part of the "Know Before You Go" program helping visitors better navigate their trips to the beach.

Dane Buckout said he is primarily interested in being on the Environmental Advisory Committee, but he is willing to serve where needed. He said he does have a passion for protecting the environment and would also like to learn more about how the government works. He would like to see an increase in composting efforts on the island particularly with the restaurants. He believes the beach erosion at Breach Inlet is a big environmental challenge on the island and would like to learn more about the mitigation efforts.

Mike Boykin, interviewed via telephone, would like to bring his expertise of the sports and entertainment industry to the ATAX Committee. He sits on leadership councils in that industry and believes his leadership experience could be beneficial to the community. He would like to help optimize the ATAX money to benefit the island. Mr. Boykin believes his promotional experience could help bring events to the island.

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to move into Executive Session in accordance with Section 30-4-70(a)(1) to discuss appointments to boards and commissions. Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Administration Committee moved into Executive Session at 4:58pm.

The Administration Committee returned from Executive Session at 5:21pm.

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to recommend to City Council the appointment of Ellen Gower, Robert Miller, and Susie Wheeler to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to recommend to City Council the appointment of Laura Lovins, Dane Buckout, and Lucia Spiotta (as a student member for a 1-year term) to the Environmental Advisory Committee. Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 6. Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting of the Administration Committee will be scheduled after the holiday to further discuss the wage & compensation study and interview additional candidates for openings on the Planning Commission and Environmental Advisory Committee.

#### 7. **Adjournment**

Council Member Streetman made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk

# Compensation Study City of Isle of Palms, SC





### **Overview**



**Study Goals** 



**Project Phases** 

Internal Review
External Review



Recommendations



# Purpose of a Compensation Study

An organization's employees are its most valuable resource and greatest asset. A compensation study is an important tool used by organizations to maintain a competitive advantage.

Recruiting & Retaining Top-Tier Talent

Improving Employee Morale

Improving Organization Culture Creating and Maintaining a Healthy Budget



# Study Goals

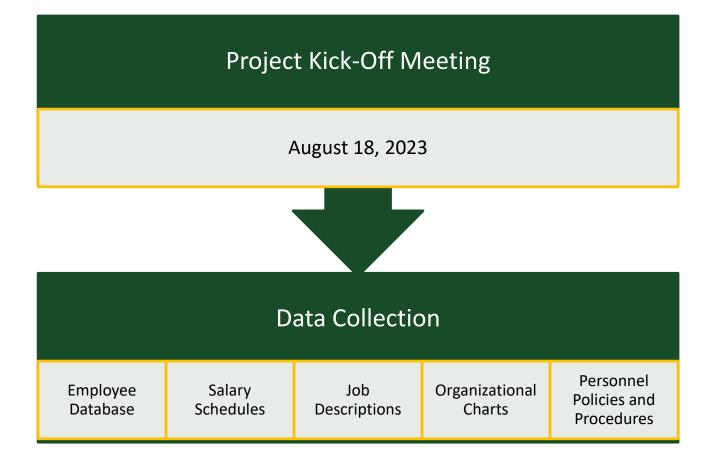
Review current compensation system to ensure internal equity

Survey peer organizations to ensure external equity

Produce recommendations to provide the City with a system that is equitable, both internally and externally



# Study Initiation





Current structure found to be well organized

3 Pay plans – one open range and two step plans

Salary Distribution

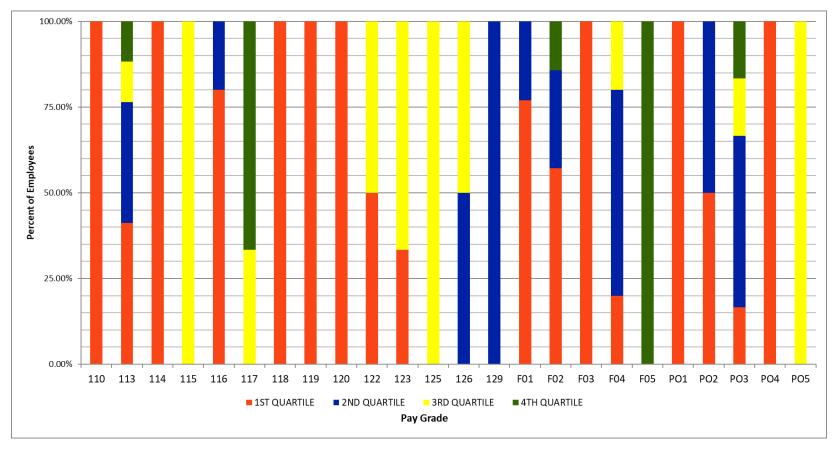
Approximately 76% of employees are below the midpoint of their respective pay range; 53% fall within the 1<sup>st</sup> quartile

In general, tenure increases throughout the quartiles



## Assessment of Current Conditions

#### **Quartile Analysis for City Employees**





# Employee Outreach Survey

Survey released to all employees on September 13, 2023
Received 81 survey responses
Employees shared that they came to work for the City as well as remain because of the following:

Location

Opportunity to Make a Positive Impact

Coworkers/Work Environment

Type of Work



# Employee Outreach

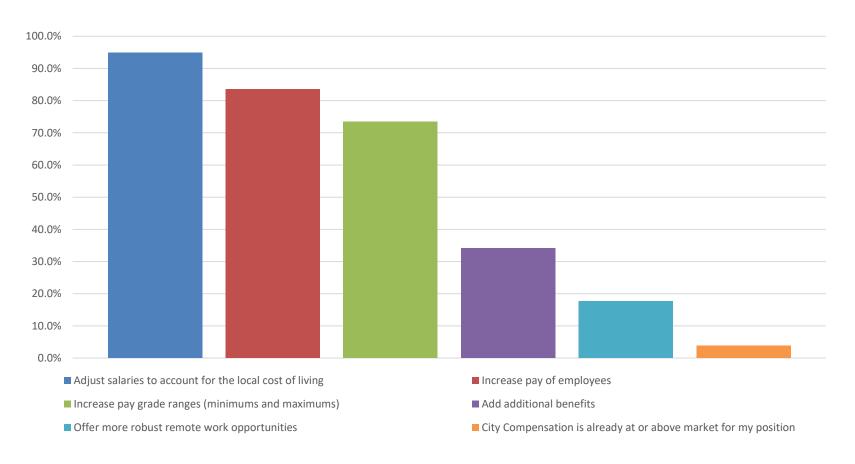
### **Compensation Concerns**

- Starting salaries for entry-level positions
- Compression between new and tenured employees as well as between employees and supervisors
- Would like more communication regarding how starting pay is determined
- Incentives for education/certifications
- Competitive salaries with surrounding municipalities



# Employee Outreach

### **Employee Suggestions for the City to be More Competitive with Market**





# Market Salary Survey

- Data was solicited from 15 peers
- Identified peers are close in proximity and represent employers that the City often competes with for quality employees.
- Bolded peers only provided average actual salary data (no defined ranges)



# Market Salary Survey, cont.

- 42 classifications used as benchmarks
- Over 300 data points collected
- Results finalized in November 2023

### Market Comparison at the 50<sup>th</sup> Percentile

At the Minimum 11.6% Below

At the Midpoint 11.1% Below

At the Maximum 11.0% Below

Average Range Spread: 47.5%



# Market Salary Survey, cont.

At the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile, there are 16 salary ranges that are greater than 10% behind market at the salary midpoint:

# More than 20% Behind Market

 14.6% of City classifications

### 20% - 15% Behind Market

 7.3% of City classifications

### 15% - 10% Behind Market

 14.6% of City classifications



# Salary Plan Considerations

Maintain consistency and transparency in structure

Allow for flexibility to meet future need and that is fiscally sustainable

Base plans at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile; Adjust pay plans by market midpoint of about 11%



# Implementation Cost Explanations

Implementation Option	Description
Bring to New Minimum/Closest Step	A calculation is performed so that each employee's salary is adjusted to the minimum of their classification's proposed pay grade. If their salary is already within the proposed pay range, no adjustment is made. The employee is then moved to the next highest/closest step.
Current Range Penetration Capped at 7.5%	A calculation is performed to determine the percentage through the current range an employee's salary falls. The employee's recommended salary calculation will place them at the same percentage through the proposed range or at a rate no more than a 7.5% increase to their current hourly rate.
Sten to Sten	This option calculates the cost of keeping each Public Safety employee on their current step within the new proposed plan.
STAN PILIS CINA	This option calculates the cost of moving each Public Safety employee up one step from their current step using the new proposed plan.



# Implementation Costs by Option

Implementation Option	Total Implementation Cost	# Employees Receiving Adjustments	Ave Ad	rage Salary djustment	Average Percentage Adjustment
Bring to New Minimum	\$233,665.02	67	\$	3,487.54	6.9%
Current Range Penetration Capped at 7.5%	\$517,181.43	90	\$	5,746.46	9.6%
Step to Step*	\$461,266.64	48	\$	9,609.72	16.3%
Step Plus One*	\$514,840.73	48	\$	10,725.85	18.3%

<sup>\*</sup>Public Safety only



# Recommendations

Conduct small-scale salary surveys as needed to assess the market competitiveness of hard-to-fill classifications and/or classifications with retention issues and make changes to pay grade assignments if necessary.

Conduct a comprehensive classification and compensation study every three to five years subject to budget constraints and as market conditions are warranted.

Review and revise, as appropriate, existing pay practice guidelines including those for determining salaries of newly hired employees, progressing employee salaries through the pay plans, and determining pay increase for employees who have been promoted to a different classification.



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# CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER

Project:	Phase 3 Drainage Improvements Forest Trail and 30th Avenue	Construction Contro Change Order Num	
Owner:	Outfalls City of Isle of Palms	Date Issued: Contract Dated:	November 9, 2023 December 6, 2021
Contractor:	Quality Enterprises USA, Inc. E	ingineer's Project Numb	per: <u>27670.0004</u>
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OWNER		Signature	 Date



# **PROPOSAL**

3494 SHEARWATER STREET NAPLES, FL 34117 (239) 435-7200 FAX (239) 435-7202

Thomas & Hutton		<b>November 3, 2023</b>	<b>QE CO-10</b>
PROPOSAL SUBMITTED TO	):	DATE	PROPOSAL#
682 Johnnie Dodds Blv	/d., Suite 100	Ron Augustin	
STREET		SALES REPRESENTATIVE/PR	ROJECT MANAGER
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464		Phase 3 Drainage Improv	vements
CITY, STATE, ZIP		JOB NAME	
Hillary Aton, PE		City of Isle of Palms, SC	,
ATTN.:		JOB LOCATION	
843-725-5272			
PHONE NO.	FAX NO.		
WE PROPOSE hereby to furnis	sh all labor, materials, e	equipment and services necessary to comp	lete the following:

1. Description: Additional line item quantities based on project plans. The bid schedule quantities are less that the quantities required by the plans for these items (work completion based

according to plan quantities).

Cost:

Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension	
090	Graded Aggregate Base Course	SY	37	\$45.50	\$1,683.50	_
100	Hot Mix Asphalt Inter. Course Type B	TON	6.8	\$1,095.00	\$7,446.00	
110	Hot Mix Asphalt Surf. Course Type B	TON	8.6	\$1,428.00	\$12,280.80	
130	12 RC Pipe (Class III)	LF	6	\$116.50	\$699.00	
140	54 RC Pipe (Class III)	LF	27	\$419.25	\$11,319.75	
230	Rip-Rap Class B	TON	15	\$216.00	<b>\$3,240.00</b>	
Subtotal fo	or Item #1				\$36,669.05	

2. Description: Provide erosion control matting/grass seeding in lieu of sodding and geogrid at Forest

Trail Outfall area. Credit back contract line items for all geogrid and sodding at Forest Trail, as requested by Wild Dunes Golf Course, and as provided at 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue Outfall

area.

Cost:

Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Extension
	Erosion Matting/Seeding	LS	1	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
250	CREDIT – Sodding	MSY	0.42	\$14,678.00	(-\$6,164.76)

CUSTOMER - SIGNATURE & DATE

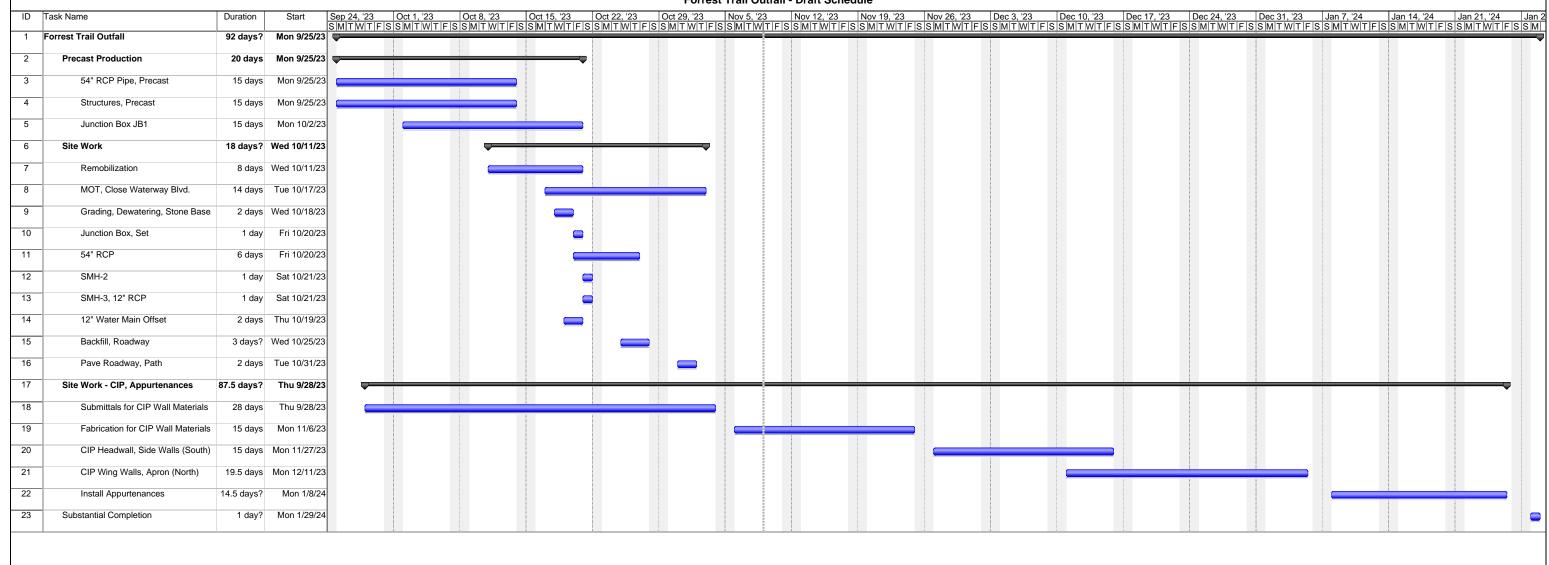
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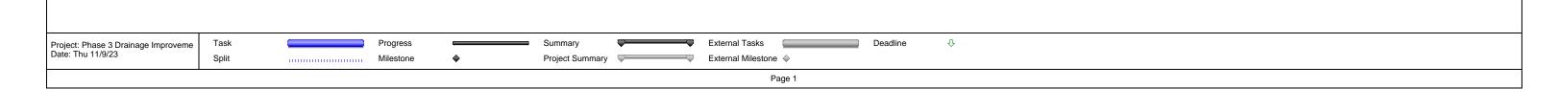
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260	CREDIT – Geogrid Matting	SY	264.00	\$19.50	(- <u>\$5,148.00)</u>
Subtotal	for Item #2				(-\$8 312 76)

TOTAL FOR CHANGE ORDER PROPOSAL #10 ......\$31,356.29

CUSTOMER - SIGNATURE & DATE

# Quality Enterprises USA, Inc. City of Isle of Palms Phase 3 Drainage Improvements Forrest Trail Outfall - Draft Schedule





November 20, 2023

Desirèe Fragoso Administrator City of Isle of Palms 1207 Palm Blvd Isle of Palms, SC 29451

RE: Additional Information for Amendment 1 to Agreement [CSE 2587]

#### Dear Desirèe:

Per your request, CSE is providing additional information regarding our request for an Amendment to our Contract for emergency beach restoration work along Breach Inlet. The original agreement covered CSE fees and expenses for coordinating an initial dune restoration project along Breach Inlet. Work under this agreement included assistance with a permit application, easements, project design, bidding, and construction administration. The project was completed in early September following Hurricane Idalia. The original scope included 17 personnel days and direct expenses, which allowed for initial design and permitting of a dune restoration project, assistance with obtaining quotes and contractor selection, sediment source confirmation, and construction administration. The hurricane prompted a shift from an inland trucking project to a beach scraping project, and CSE coordinated that change and was on site regularly for implementing the project.

Additional erosion continued to occur along Beach Inlet, which has required significant coordination and engineering services. This includes an initial sand scraping effort with a single dozer, scraping utilizing off-road trucks, coordinating an inland trucking operation, and coordinating sandbags. CSE provided the City with engineering services under an understanding that an amendment to the agreement would follow. To date, this has included ~12 site visits, 4 surveys, aerial photography, and regular liaison with City staff, the contractor, owners, and permit agencies. CSE expects that additional coordination will be required until the USACE project begins, and has included this work in this Amendment request. Note that this is a Time and Expense contract, so CSE will only invoice for work completed.

The requested amendment will cover CSE's fees and expenses for the above-referenced work, as well as additional engineering services leading up to the USACE project (expected to start January 2024). The specific services include:

 Site inspections and construction administration of scraping, trucking, and sangbags – CSE estimates a total of 30 days of construction administration from October to January, assuming 1-2 site visits per week during operations. CSE will work with City staff to reduce the number of trips required to successfully implement the project. OCRM permits require that the sandbag effort be regularly inspected and maintained, and CSE will work with the contractor to ensure that the bag placement is completed within the permit conditions. This includes removal of buried or torn sandbags. Site assessments will identify changes to the erosional patterns and identify areas needing additional work. CSE will work with the City and Contractor to identify acceptable means for mitigating ongoing erosion throughout the project area. This also includes consideration of erosional areas along Wild Dunes.

- Contractor coordination including obtaining quotes, reviewing materials, sand source analysis, and payment requests. CSE will review contractor submittals of material and rental totals for pay requests. CSE will verify sand quantity estimates, sandbag numbers, and hourly rentals to confirm accuracy of contractor invoices. CSE will verify sand sources for any inland pits being considered for dune nourishment. CSE estimates up to 3 days of professional time for this task.
- Periodic surveys of the emergency area to document beach volume changes (up to 4) CSE estimates up to 6 days of staff time for data collection and processing. CSE will survey the intertidal zone to determine changes in beach volume, slope, and dune condition. Surveys will be obtained from the dune to (~)-1.5 ft NAVD or lower and will track migration of a ridge and runnel system that has been affecting the dune condition. Surveys will also determine if imported sand is remaining in the system or if the sand is migrating outside of the placement site. This information is useful in longer-range planning of additional emergency work until the USACE project begins.
- Periodic drone surveys of the emergency area (up to 4). Along with the topographic surveys,
  CSE will obtain oblique aerial imagery to document the beach condition, position of shoals
  and sandbars associated with breach inlet, and to document sandbags and other measures
  to comply with OCRM permit conditions.
- Public meetings and liaison with stakeholders and City staff (up to 5 days of professional time). CSE will provide liaison with City staff, property owners, and permit agencies as required. This includes calls, remote meetings, and attendance at public meetings when requested.

CSE requests an amendment amount not to exceed \$65,000 to cover time and expenses occurred todate and for the additional services expected through January 2024. Of this total, \$53,000 covers professional time, and \$12,000 covers direct expenses including mileage, per diem, and GPS and drone rentals. The City will only be billed for actual work completed.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional detail regarding the scope of services.

Sincerely,

Coastal Science & Engineering (CSE)

Witness (Signature)

Ship	
Steven B Traynum Coastal Scientist / Project Manager	
Signature for Approval	
ATTEST	CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS (SC)

(Signature)

Deckard Technologies, Inc. 1620 5th Avenue, Suite 400 San Diego, CA 92101 US accounting@deckard.com

BILL TO Laura McIellon or Nicole Morris City of Isle of Palms, SC



**INVOICE 1443** 

DATE 11/03/2023 TERMS Net 30

**DUE DATE 12/03/2023** 

DATE	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
11/02/2023	STR Registration Portal	Registration Portal	1	15,000.00	15,000.00

TOTAL DUE \$15,000.00

- c. Approval of replacement of 2014 Ford F-150 for Fire Department in the amount of \$46, 614 State contract pricing [FY23, Hospitality Tax, Fire Department, Capital Outlay, \$42,000] [Pgs. 100-101]
- d. Approval of emergency replacement of Police Department patrol vehicle 502 [FY23 Budget, Capital Projects, Police Department, Capital Outlay] [Pg. 102]
- e. Approval of proposal from Davis & Floyd in the amount of \$7,000 to design an emergency beach access path through the Charleston County Park [FY23 Budget, Beach Maintenance and Preservation, Capital Outlay] [Pgs. 103-108]
- f. Approval of proposal from Rentalscape in the amount of \$42,000 for short-term rental managing compliance software [FY23 Budget, General Fund, Building, IT Equipment, Software & Services] [Pgs. 109-126]
- g. Approval of temporary parking agreement with Islander 71 for the use of the shared parking lot at the IOP marina [Pgs. 127-129]
- h. Approval of increase hourly rate for Beach Services Officers to \$18 [Pg.130 ]
- i. Consideration of changing budgeted part time seasonal code enforcement position to a full-time position [Pg. 131]
- j. Consideration of 2023 surfing applications:
  - i. Shane Granigan Isla Surf School [Pgs. 132-133]
  - ii. Kyle Busey Carolina Salt LLC. [Pgs. 134-135]
- k. Discussion and consideration of alternatives for the 30% state atax; 1. Options for DMO, 2. Potential projects to pursue for alternative uses [Pgs. 1,36-143]

#### 7. Boards and Commissions Report

- a. Board of Zoning Appeals minutes attached [Pgs. 144-145]
- b. Planning Commission minutes attached [Pgs. 146-147]
- c. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee minutes attached [Pgs.148-149]
- d. Environmental Advisory Committee minutes attached [Pgs. 150-153]

#### 8. Ordinances, Resolutions and Petitions

- a. Second Reading None
- b. First Reading
  - i. Ordinance 2023-01 to provide regulations for dogs biting, chasing or attacking [Pgs. 154-155]
  - ii. Ordinance 2023- 02 to prohibit e-bikes and other motorized vehicles on the beach [Pgs. 156-158]

#### c. Resolutions and Petitions

- i. Proclamation 2023-01 to celebrate March as National Red Cross month [Pgs. 159-160]
- ii. Resolution 2023-01 authorizing consumption of beer and wine at the Front Beach Fest on March 4, 2023 [Pg. 161]
- 9. Executive Session Executive Session pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2) to receive legal advice related to the noise ordinance and short term rental regulations. Council may take action on matters discussed in Executive Session upon returning from Executive Session.



#### **City Council**

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2023
Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard
Isle of Palms, South Carolina

#### **Public Comment:**

All citizens who wish to speak during the meeting must email their first and last name, address, and topic to Nicole DeNeane at <a href="mailto:nicoled@iop.net">nicoled@iop.net</a> no later than 3:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting. Citizens may also provide public comment here:

<a href="mailto:https://www.iop.net/public-comment-form">https://www.iop.net/public-comment-form</a>

#### Agenda

- 1. Introduction of meeting and acknowledgement that the press and public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.
  a. Invocation
  b. Pledge of Allegiance
  c. Roll Call
- 2. Citizen's Comments All comments will have a time limit of three (3) minutes. Public Comments submitted via online form [Pgs. 4-17]

#### 3. Special Presentations

Consideration of request for City sponsored status from LOWVELO for fundraising bike ride on November 4, 2023.

#### 4. Approval of previous meetings' minutes

- a. Special City Council STR Workshop January 23, 2023 [Pgs. 18-28]
- b. Special City Council Executive Session January 24, 2023 [Pgs. 26-27]
- c. City Council January 24, 2023 [Pgs. 28-32]
- d. Special City Council STR Workshop February 6, 2023 [Pgs. 33-44]
- e. Special City Council Workshop February 13, 2023 [Pgs. 45-51]
- f. Committee meeting minutes [Pgs. 52-77]

#### 5. Old Business

- a. Discussion of IOP Connector alternatives [Pgs. 78-83]
- b. Discussion of proposed changes to the noise ordinance [Pgs. 84-93]
- c. Discussion and consideration of alternatives for regulating Short-Term Rentals [Pgs. 94-98]

#### 6. New Business

- a. Approval of an amount not to exceed \$18,000 for the purchase of AED Defibrillators [FY23 Muni ATAX, Fire Department, Non-Capital Tools & Equipment] [Pg. 99]
- Approval of replacement of 2010 Ford F-150 for Fire Department in the amount of \$46,614 State contract pricing [FY23, Muni ATAX, Fire Department, Capital Outlay,\$45,000] [Pgs. 100-101]



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JANUARY 271h, 2023

# PRICE PROPOSAL

for the

City of Isle of Palms, SC

SHORT-TERM RENTAL ("STR") INVENTORY, COMPLIANCE & ANALYTIC SERVICES

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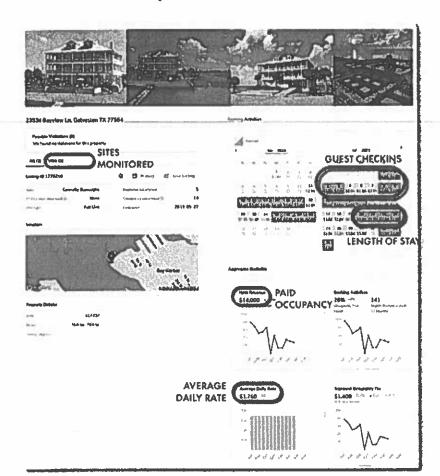
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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

## Rentalscape Short Term Rental ID & Monitoring Platform

Deckard Technologies utilizes data science expertise to assist local governments with managing their compliance activity and enforcement, such as short-term rental (STR) properties. Our technology ensures that everyone is held accountable to play by the same set of rules, follow all guidelines and ordinances, and pay their fair share of fees and taxes. To accurately track activity within the City of Isle of Palms, the Rentalscape platform identifies the exact address of the STR listings within the City limits, enabling accurate display of STR activity within the City and within community districts. Rentalscape groups listings and calculates statistics an a per-property basis. By mapping the exact location of properties, Rentalscape avoids double-counting activity. Knowing the exact location of STR properties enables compliance, enforcement, tax collection and complaint management activities.

## **About Rentalscape**



Deckard's Dashboard management platform for STR will discover, identify, and efficiently present all STR activity in the City of Isle of Palms, using unique technical capabilities such as its proprietary future booking detection software, automatic noncompliance recognition, industry-best address identification

Rentalscape is the only platform that shows upcoming rentals and bookings as they occur within 24 hours of the reservation being made.

This allows Rentalscape users to reach out to owners and hosts who are unlawfully renting and address any issues relating to these future rentals long before guests arrive, thereby eliminating disturbances, neighbor complaints and other common issues that often arise.from illegal rentals.

FIGURE 1: Rentalscape Property card

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Rentalscape maintains a database of every booking and stay made on all major platforms. Our system contains information dating back to late 2019 for every STR in the City of Isle of Palms. All data can be viewed interactively on the Rentalscape portal with unlimited user access and downloaded on demand in Microsoft Excel format.

Rentalscape dashboard map view shows the exact location of all STR activity, includes districts as defined by the City and displays individual property information and aggregate statistics on a per district basis.

Rentalscape presents detailed STR activities including the precise address, owner information, booking history, availability and more. For each individual booking, the platform provides the actual date the reservation was made as well as the start and end date of each booking, ensuring that the City is able to distinguish back-to-back bookings. These insights are not possible to achieve by simply viewing the listings itself.

Guest review data is collected by Rentalscape and could be used as additional proof of accupancy.

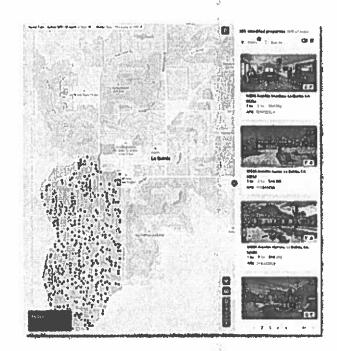


FIGURE 2: Rentalscape Map

# In Summary

In every jurisdiction in which we are providing service we have increased compliance and improved tax collection. Our process starts with producing the cleanest data possible – ensuring reporting is accurate and compliance levels are carefully monitored. We have in-house property appraisers and STR property managers. We also regularly consult with City staff to ensure we are always up to date with the latest STR best practices. Our systems come with unlimited user access and unlimited end-user training. Our customers give testimonials regarding the ease of use of our systems and vastly superior level of customer service when compared to other providers in the market.

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# **REFERENCES**

We believe that continuous innovation is required to face the challenges of today and of tomorrow. We are proud of our achievements and solutions that enable cities and counties to manage short-term rental activities and to ensure local rules and ordinances are enforced for the betterment of local residents.

The following References are examples of successful partnerships between Deckard Technologies and its clients.

# **REFERENCES**

#### Mt. Pleasant, SC

Jane Yager-Baumrind, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT jyager-baumrind@tompsc.com 843-884-1229 Rentalscape, STR Registration Portal

### La Quinta, CA

Gil Villalpando, ASST. CITY MANGER gvillalpando@loquintoca.gov (760) 777 - 7094 Rentalscape, Custom Services

### Town of Mammoth Lakes, CA

Rob Patterson, FINANCE DIRECTOR rpotterson@rownofmammothlakes.ca.gov (760)965-3661 Rentalscape

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# PROPOSED PRODUCTS

## THE RENTALSCAPE PORTAL

The Rentalscape portal is a cloud-based system for City staff to track STR properties, monitor STR activity, manage STR permits and record information about properties. The data in the system is constantly being updated as new properties are discovered and address identified, as new permit applications are made and as permits are expired or revoked.

The Rentalscape portal displays information on all STR listings found within the City going back at least 12 months. We use US Census data to identify City limits and any parcels or listings within the limits are monitored. Rentalscape also tracks properties outside the City until they are accurately identified. On occasion, the STR listing estimated location for a property falls outside the City, but the actual location of the property once address identified is inside the City. Rentalscape displays:

- 1. Any permitted STR property
- 2. Any property with a currently live STR listing
- 3. Any property with historic STR listings
- 4. Any property with a future or past STR booking (even if the property currently does not have a live listing)

Rentalscape includes the ability to filter the properties displayed (e.g., only permitted properties, or only properties in a specific HOA), and to download all results. All data displayed is available for direct download from Rentalscape.

Information shown in Rentalscape for each property includes:

# **Property Characteristics**

- 1. Property address
- 2. Owner name and mailing address
- 3. Ownership type (primary residence, secondary/investment property)
- 4. Property type
- 5. Number of bedrooms and bathroom at the property, per public records data
- 6. A map showing the property's location
- 7. Maximum occupancy per the City of Isle of Palms ordinance

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## **Listing Characteristics**

- 8. Listing URL for each listing associated with each specific property
- 9. Listing ad ID for each listing associated with each specific property
- Rental calendar showing current month's activity as well as past twelve months and upcoming three months booking activity (calendars update daily)
- Rentalscape clearly and easily differentiates between regular bookings and host-blocked dates that are not revenue-generating
- 12. Host name (when available)
- 13. Stay limitations (minimum/maximum)
- 14. Permit/license number if included in the listing
- 15. Daily Rental rate at time of booking
- 16. Rental frequency
- 17. Individual links to all active listing for the property
- 18. PDF copy of each listing, as well as a history of all previous versions of the listing, to identify any possible changes, as well as keep a record in case the listing is taken down by the host. Each image has a date-stamp showing when it was created and is kept indefinitely.
- 19. Rental type (Whole home, shared home)
- 20. Bedrooms and bathrooms advertised
- 21. Maximum occupancy, per listing

# **Estimated Sales Tax Based on Rental Activity**

- 22. Occupancy rate
- 23. Estimated rental income
- 24. Estimated tax

Rentalscape is configured to match the City's ordinance and is capable of flagging violations following the City's exact rules, including but not limited to permit registration and occupancy advertised versus permitted occupancy.

Rentalscape looks for bookings less than 30 days when flagging STRs. When bookings longer than 30 days are created, these are correctly categorized as long-term rentals and do not cause a property to be treated as an STR.

Rentalscape actively monitors permit status and STR listings daily, flagging violations as they occur. We have encountered situations where other providers have flagged properties as "no longer listed" or "only performing long-term rentals", that later re-list or take a short-term booking, and are subsequently missed by these other vendors as violating the City ordinance. Rentalscape continuously monitors every listing every day including bookings up to a year in advance. As soon as an unpermitted booking is taken, Rentalscape sets a violation.

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Rentalscape includes a Dashboard that provides an overview of all STR activity in the City. This Dashboard includes aggregated revenue, bookings, and property data, and highlights top-earning hosts and owners as seen below. Please note that some charts will not be activated until we go live in the City of Isle of Palms.

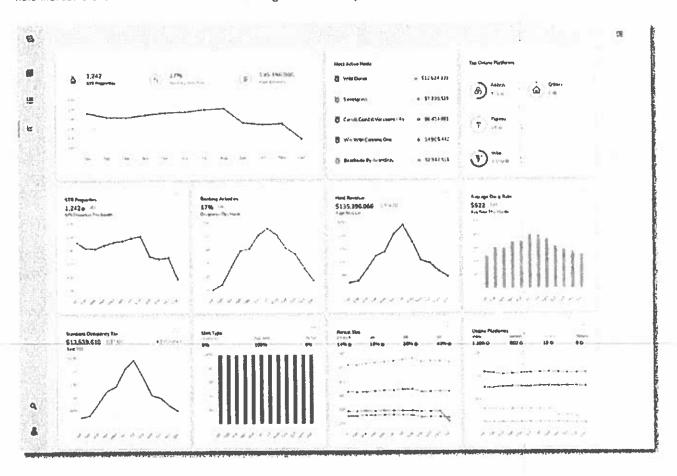


FIGURE 3: Rentalscape the City of Isle of Palms Dashboard Example

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# **IMPLEMENTATION & TRAINING**

Implementation is on your timeline! Upon Contract signing, Deckard will assign the City of Isle of Palms a Dedicated Account Manager, who will work with the City to develop "best practices" based on Deckard's experiences with other clients. The account manager will ensure that the implementation process proceeds smoothly and will be the main point of contact for any questions, suggestions, training, or concerns. The account manager will also participate in periodic calls with City staff as requested.

And since Rentalscape is Cloud Based, no hardware or software is installed

Most jurisdictions have been up and running with Rentalscape within a couple weeks with Address Identification complete within 4 weeks of receipt of the permit and listing data.

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# **PRICING PROPOSAL**

Currently, Rentalscape is showing close to 3207 live STR listings in the City of Isle of Palms. Based on the number of live STR listings, we estimate there are 1600+ short-term rental properties in the City, advertised on one or more platforms.

While other providers charge a recurring identification fee annually, Deckard Technologies only charges an identification fee once when the property is initially identified. In addition, we only charge fees on a per property, not per listing, basis. Since a single property can have multiple listings, we feel it is unfair to charge fees based on listing count. Finally, we do not charge one fee for compliance monitoring and another for rental activity monitoring as, in our view, these are the same service.



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Identify property owner address	
ONITORING & REPORTING	
Estimated 1600 properties at \$25 per property per year	\$4000
Real-time reporting of all new listings & daily calendar monitoring	(\$25/property/yea
FutureCast <sup>7M</sup> - Identify future bookings as they are made on the rental platform	
Automotic identification of violations	
Daily calendar manitoring	
UTREACH CAMPAIGN	
Letter campaign to inform STR owners/hosts about tax requirements and procedures	\$500
All letter templates will receive City approval pre-campaign	(OPTIONA
Campaign includes one introductory letter and two additional escalation letters	
TR REGISTRATION PORTAL	HELEON CONTRACTOR
Online, intuitive portal for registration and renewal	<sup>‡</sup> \$1500
Fields customizable to meet City needs	(OPTIONA
Pursue definquent payments from hosts	
Provide daily reports on new and modified permits	,
OMPLAINT 24/7 HOTLINE 8 ONLINE FORM	
24/7 Hotline with live agents	\$1500
Online complaint form	IOPTIONA
ONSTITUENT PORTAL	
Public facing portal (Link placed on Jurisdiction's website)	\$1000
Permit Data and Responsible Party contact info for STR Property (Standard)	(OPTIONA
PORTING & ANALYSIS	
Dynamic reporting, offering multiple ad hac reports	INCLUDE
Filters allowing users to focus on specific segments of the STR population	r .
LUICATED ACCOUNT MANAGER	
Single Point of Contact for City staff for all matters	INCLUDE
Ensures the City is following Industry best practices	2
Shepherds the implementation process from start to finish	<u> </u>
Periodic meetings/calls throughout the life of the account	
NUMETED ACCOUNTS & FRAINING SESSIONS	ALL TO THE REAL PROPERTY.
No limit on the number of Rentalscape user accounts	INCLUDE
No per-session training costs	
OTAL YEAR ONE	\$42000

NOTE - Pricing valid for 90 days

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# **OPTIONAL PRODUCTS**

STR Registration and Renewal Portal is a configurable system that is customized for each client.

Customization of this portal to include the City of Isle of Palms branding.

- Adding custom fields such as occupancy rules specific to the City (e.g., occupancy limits, bedroom counts)
- Collection of documents as required for the STR registration process
- STR registration approval portal
- Configurable STR permit pricing and expiration
- Collection of any STR permit fees
- Regular reporting

Rentalscape STR Registration collects permit fees via the Stripe secure payment processing system and allows payment via credit card or ACH bank transfer.

Should the City wish to individually approve each STR permit (some of our clients automatically issue STR permits once payment is received, while others individually approve permits), the Rentalscape Permit Management portal allows City staff to view and then approve or reject permit applications. In addition, the portal can be used to suspend or revoke permits when operators are not in good standing.

The Rentalscape Registration portal allows STR operators to update contact details pertaining to their permit for themselves, their property managers, and their local contacts. Rentalscape emails both the applicant and the City for each new application received and every permit approved. Rentalscape also generates a report daily containing the status and details of all permits.

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FIGURE 4 below shows the Placer County Lodging Tox Certificate system showing Placer County specific fields. The Rentalscape staff will work with the City of Isle of Palms to configure the registration system as needed.

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FIGURE 4: Rentalscape STR Registration System

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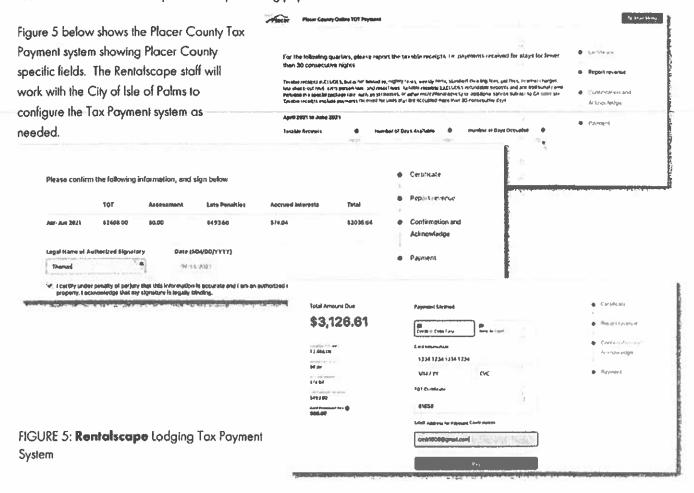
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# **Tax Payment Option**

The Tax Payment Portal can be utilized to collect taxes from STR operators on a monthly, quarterly, or yearly basis. The Rentalscape Tax Payment system collects information regarding the number of nights available for booking, and the number of nights booked.

The Rentalscape Tax Payment system is customized for each jurisdiction and includes automatic calculation of tax due based on the City's tax rate, automatic calculation of late fees and penalties, and the ability to apply leniency on a perproperty basis for late fees should it be required.

The Rentalscape Tax Payment system utilizes Stripe payment processing that allows for payment by credit card or by ACH payments. Payments are directly remitted to the City. Our existing customers have seen an increase in tax payments following the adoption of this system due to the ease of use of the portal. The Rentalscape Tax Payment system generates nightly reports that are delivered to the City allowing for easy reconciliation of transactions. This system reduces the manual work required when processing paper forms.



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# **Permit Management Option**

The Rentalscape City portal allows City staff to view STR permits and applications, to change the permit status (approve, deny or revoke) and to create notes. The STR permits are automatically associated with any identified STR listings that match the permit address. Rentalscape associates permits with listings using APNs and unit numbers to ensure accuracy.



FIGURE 6: Rentalscape Permit Details Screen showing notes, permit status and details of all permits

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## **Letter Campaign for STR Hosts Option**

Rentalscape will create and send letters to all Identified STR hosts, explaining the tax requirements, current rate, and payment process. The letter templates will be approved by the City of Isle of Palms staff prior to beginning the mailings.

Rentalscape's targeted letter campaign, timed to generate best results, have shown great efficacy in culting the number of unregistered hosts by over 50% within the first six months of a new client engagement. Earlier this year, Placer County in California utilized Rentalscape to Identify one property where the taxes due totaled more than \$50,000.



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178 FULWELER AVENUE / AUBURH, CALIFORNIA 86803 TELEPHONE: 5301889-4030 FAX: 5301889-4022

Thursday, July 29, 2021 Miners Cemp LLC 29780 School SI Foresthill, CA, 95631 C24181 Foresthill Road Foresthill, CA, 95631

Subject: 24321 Foresthill Road, Foresthill, CA, 95431 APN 007301009000

Dear Miners Camp LLC,

Placer County was unable to verify that your property, listed with an online website, was properly registered with a Translant Occupancy Tax Certificate. In the unincerporated areas of Placer County, all longing businesses and private home vacation rentals must collect and remit Translant Occupancy Tax (TOT) from guests staying 30 days or less. These requirements apply whether properties are rented directly by owners, through a local property manager, or through an online listing site.

As the owner of the property isled above, Placer County would like to work with you in completing the process to fully comply with the County's Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance. The first steps are to register and obtain a TOT Certificate for your rental property, report and remit the appropriate transient occupancy tax for the period of January 3, 2018 to fulle 30, 2022 and ensure compliance for all future rental activity.

For the next 15 days Placer County will waive any penelties and interest normally assessed for the period you operated your short-term rental property in a non-compliant state. If you do not complete the registration process and provide payment, Placer County will calculate estimated taxes due, including penalties and interest, for up to three years.

You may register your property and rerait payment online at <a href="https://pipcer-ca-str.deckard.com/">https://pipcer-ca-str.deckard.com/</a>. If you have any questions, please small us at <a href="https://pipcer-ca.gov">107/8/Pipcer-ca.gov</a> or call a Ravenue Services Division's compiliance specialist at (916) \$43-3950. For additional information about Placer County's Transient Occupancy Tax Ordinance, please visit our website at <a href="https://pipcer-ca.gov/tot-ca-gov/tot

Sincerely,

Doug Jastrow Revenue Services Manager

FIGURE 7: Rentalscape Placer County Complaint Letter

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# **STR Public Facing Portal - Optional**

The Rentalscape STR public facing portal is an Interactive public online map for publication of all registered short-term rentals within the City. The exact information on the map can be configured to meet the City's needs and includes information such as the property owner and emergency contact information. The portal is branded with the City's information and can include links to systems such as the short-term rental registration system.

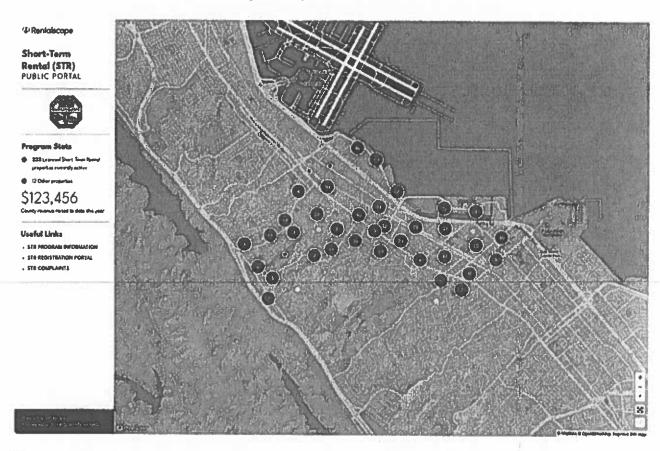


FIGURE 8: Rentalscape STR Public Facing Portal

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## 24/7 Complaint Line & Online Form

The Rentalscape 24/7 Complaint Line is available for fielding complaints raised by the public related to short-term rentals. The Complaint Line is a 24/7 Live Call Taker environment. The Call Taker collects the appropriate information (ie address, property owner, type of incident, date of incident, etc.) and contacts the designated City contact.

Rentalscape Online Complaint Form is also included. Neighbors can report and provide evidence for non-emergency concerns. The Complaint Form is customized with your logo. All complaints are logged and reported to the appropriate staff/department.

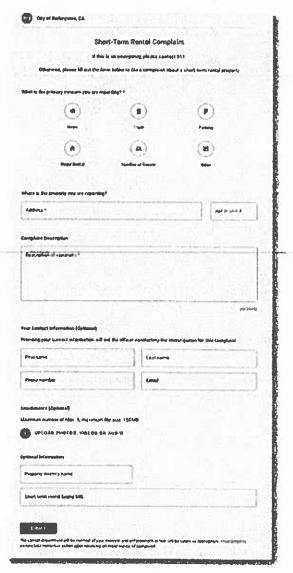


FIGURE 9: Rentalscape Online Complaint Form

Form W-9
(Rev. October 2018)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

	Deckard Technologies, Inc  2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	-			
Print or type. ee Specific Instructions on page 3.	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check or following seven boxes.  □ Individual/sole proprietor or □ C Corporation □ S Corporation □ Partnership □ single-member LLC  □ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) IN Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.  □ Other (see instructions) ▶  5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions.  Required Sth Av Suite 400  6 City, state, and ZIP code  San Diego CA 92101  7 List account number(s) here (optional)	Trust/estate  Do not check of the LLC is ember LLC that	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entitles, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):  Exempt payee code (if any)  Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any)  (Applies to accounts mainteined outside the U.S.) and address (optional)		
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#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out Item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part il, later.

Sign Signature of Here U.S. person >

#### General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

#### **Purpose of Form**

An Individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

• Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

#### Date > 2023-01-01

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident allen), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, leter.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

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DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 10/30/2023

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Workers Compensation coverage is limited to worksite employees of Deckard Technologies, Inc through a co-employment agreement with TriNet HR III, Inc  Waiver of subrogation in favor of the City of Isle of Palms as required by written contract.											
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City of Isle of Palms 1207 Palm Blvd Isle of Palms, SC 29451					SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.						

Aon Risk Services South Inc

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Policy

Named Insured TriNet Group, Inc. L/C/F Deckard Technologies, Inc 1 Park Place, Suite 600 Dublin, CA 94568-7983	Endorsement Number
	Policy Number
	Symbol: WLR Number: C53239766
Policy Period	Effective Date of Endorsement
07/01/2023 <b>TO</b> 07/01/2024	07/01/2023
Issued By (Name of Insurance Company)	
ACE American Insurance Company	
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#### CALIFORNIA WAIVER OF OUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM OTHERS ENDORSEMENT

This endorsement applies only to the insurance provided by the policy because California is shown in item 3.A. of the Information Page.

We have the right to recover our payments from anyone liable for an injury covered by this policy. We will not enforce our right against the person or organization named in the Schedule, but this waiver applies only with respect to bodily injury arising out of the operations described in the Schedule, where you are required by a written contract to obtain this waiver from us.

You must maintain payroll records accurately segregating the remuneration of your employees while engaged in the work described in the Schedule.

Schedule

( X ) Specific Waiver
 Name of person or organization:

City of Isle of Palms 1207 Palm Blvd Isle of Palms, SC 29451

() Blanket Waiver

Any person or organization for whom the Named Insured has agreed by written contract to furnish this waiver.

- 2. Operations:
- 3. Premium:

The premium charge for this endorsement shall be INCLUDED percent of the California premium developed on payroll in connection with work performed for the above person(s) or organization(s) arising out of the operations described.

4. Minimum Premium: INCLUDED

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## CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 10/30/2023

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must have ADDITIONAL INSURED provisions or be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s). CONTACT Kearstyn Freerking **PRODUCER** (A/C. No. Ext): 858-768-4075 Marsh & McLennan Agency LLC FAX (A/C, No): Marsh & McLennan Ins. Agency LLC ADDRESS: Kearstyn.Freerking@MarshMMA.com PO Box 85638 San Diego CA 92186 INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE NAIC# License#: 0H18131 INSURER A: Sentinel Insurance Company Ltd 11000 INSURED INSURER B: Lloyd's Syndicate 2623 55555 Deckard Technologies, Inc. INSURER C : 1620 5th Avenue, Suite 400 La Jolla CA 92037 INSURER D : INSURER E : INSURER F COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 736406795 REVISION NUMBER:** THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS. EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES, LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS. POLICY EFF POLICY EXP ADDL SUBR TYPE OF INSURANCE POLICY NUMBER INSD WVD COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY 72SBABG4507 8/19/2023 8/19/2024 Х Α EACH OCCURRENCE \$1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED CLAIMS-MADE X OCCUR \$1,000,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$10,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2.000,000 GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER PRO-JECT X | POLICY PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$2,000,000 \$ OTHER: COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) **AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY** 72SBABG4507 8/19/2023 8/19/2024 \$1,000,000 ANY AUTO **BODILY INJURY (Per person)** \$ OWNED AUTOS ONLY HIRED SCHEDULED AUTOS NON-OWNED **BODILY INJURY (Per accident)** S PROPERTY DAMAGE Х Х AUTOS ONLY (Per accident) **AUTOS ONLY** S X UMBRELLA LIAB 72SBABG4507 8/19/2023 8/19/2024 X **EACH OCCURRENCE** \$ 2,000,000 OCCUR EXCESS LIAB CLAIMS-MADE AGGREGATE \$2,000,000 DED X RETENTION \$ 10 000 WORKERS COMPENSATION PER STATUTE AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANYPROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? E.L. EACH ACCIDENT NIA E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE S (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT 2,000,000 Cyber / Prof. / Technology E&O WG00001412AF 8/19/2023 8/19/2024 Aggregate Each Claim 2,000,000 DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required) Certificate Holder, City of Isle of Palms, its City Council, officials, officers, agents, employees and volunteers are included as Additional Insured with respects to General Liability per attached endorsement. Waiver of subrogation applies to General Liability in favor of the City of Isle of Palms per attached endorsement. CERTIFICATE HOLDER CANCELLATION SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. City of Isle of Palms 1207 Palm Blvd **AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE** Isle of Palms, SC 29451



Municipality Name	City of Isle of Palms
Contact	Douglas Kerr, Deputy City Administrator
Proposed Service Addresses	<ul><li>(1) Site: 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue Fire Station</li><li>(2) Site: Harris Teeter Parking Lot,</li></ul>
	Isle of Palms
	(3) TBD
Email	dkerr@iop.net
Phone	886-9912

	Special Notes:	
Material Collected:	Glass Only	No other material will be accepted. Signage will be posted at site
Proposed Collection locations:	<ul><li>(1) Site: 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue Fire Station</li><li>(2) Site: Harris Teeter Parking Lot, Isle of Palms</li></ul>	
Can Type(s):	64 gallon neon green wheeled carts for collection	Dumpsters are a possibility. # of cans tbd based on usage
Terms:	Grant Approval Pending Application in Process	
Start Date:	ASAP upon approval	
Cost:	\$9,600 One time per week @ two locations	Year round

#### Fisher will provide:

- Wheeled Carts at each site
- Signage at site
- Maintain cleanliness of cans at the site
- Education of residents and rental units/property management companies through contacts supplied by City of IOP.
- Produce a Press Release (local & State) about the initiative.
- A Quarterly estimate of volume/tonnage.

#### Above referenced municipality agrees to:

- Support program by notifying and educating City staff that recycle bins are to be emptied only by Fisher staff.
- Provide a contact with the City to assist with rental unit communications. FR would also request all known rental management companies doing business with renting on the island. (Wild Dunes Property Management, IOP Chamber of Commerce and all rental company contacts)
- Permit FR to pass out residential flyers, post signage and promote the program on City social media sites. Any direct contacts would be helpful.
- Promote this initiative publicly on City website.

#### General Terms and Conditions:

SERVICES RENDERED. The Customer agrees to furnish and the undersigned (FR) agrees to collect all Recyclable Material (as defined herein) in accordance within the terms hereof.

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. The material to be furnished by customer & public and collected by FR pursuant to this Agreement is the recyclable material: GLASS ONLY. If material is contaminated by the public beyond reasonable ability to reuse, then FR has the right to cease collections at drop site and remove bins. All recyclable material shall be placed in FR approved receptacles. FR shall acquire title to recyclable materials when loaded into FR's receptacles. All glass collected is reused & recycled by FR in the State of SC.

PAYMENTS BY CUSTOMER. Customer shall pay FR via a Grant or City approved budgeted funds yet to be determined for the services and/or equipment furnished by FR in accordance with the charges and rates provided for herein. Customer shall make payment to FR within 30 days after receipt of invoice.

LIABILITY FOR EQUIPMENT: FR acknowledges that it has the care, custody, and control of equipment owned by FR and accepts responsibility and liability for the equipment and its contents.

BINDING EFFECT. This agreement is a legally binding contract on the part of both FR and customer and their respective heirs, successors and assigns in accordance with terms and conditions set out herein.

TERM. This agreement is for a term commencing on the date hereof and continuing until one (1) year after the date service begins.

SERVICE CHARGES. The type, size and amount of equipment and the frequency of service, and corresponding changes in rates, may by changed by the parties, either in writing or by the practices and actions of the parties without affecting the validity of this agreement. This agreement shall continue in effect for the term provided herein and shall apply to changes of service address location of the customer within the area in which FR provides collection service.

EXCUSED PERFORMANCE. Neither party hereto shall be liable for its failure to perform or delay in performance hereunder due to contingencies beyond its reasonable control including, but not limited to, strikes, riots, fires and acts of God.

We hereby propose to furnish labor and materials - complete in accordance with the above specifications.

Fisher Representative Signature:	
Date:	
The above prices, specifications and conditions are hereb Payment will be made as outlined above.	y accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified.
Municipal Representative Signature:	
Date:	

### **City of Isle of Palms**

# Memo

To: Desiree Fragoso/City Administrator

From: Chief Oliverius/ Fire Chief

Cc Richard Hathaway Deputy Chief

Debra Hamilton Chief Financial Officer

(10/31/2023

Date: October 31st, 2023

Re: Apparatus Bay Fans and Electrical LED Light Upgrades @ Fire Station 2

Mrs. Fragoso,

The Fire Department was able to establish the most responsive bidder ACS (Air Cleaning Specialists) for the Fire Station direct source apparatus exhaust systems as significantly under the budgeted amount of \$200,000 that was designated in capital outlay \$100,000 and municipal accommodations \$100,000. The Fire Department would like to access a portion of the \$100,000 in remaining funds designated in capital outlay #20-4540.5085 to be used for the apparatus bay fans, fan install and electrical lighting work at Fire Station 2 totaling \$53,145.00. All work will be provided or coordinated by Morelli Heating and Air as the general contractor for the project.

Thank you,

Craig K. Oliverius

# State Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Isle of Palms, South Carolina

### Application for City of Isle of Palms ATAX Grant

### For Office Use Only

Date Received: Total Project Cost:
Total Accommodations Tax Funds Requested:
Total Accommodations Tax Funds Requested:
Action Taken By Accomodatoins. Tax Advisory Committee:
DateApprovedDeniedAmendedOther
(Please Use Additional Paper and Include Pertinent Documentation as May Be
Needed)
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A. Project Name: Light Up Front Beach
B. Applicant Organization: <u>Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce</u>
1 M. T. A. M. D. O. D. (25.1.1 CD.)
1. Mailing Address: P>O> Box 625 Isle of Palms, SC 29451
Telephone: 843-224-0667 Email: hello@iopchamber.com
Telephone. <u>643-224-0007</u> Email: <u>Henow topenamoer.com</u>
2. Project Director: Ryan Buckhannon
Telephone: 843-224-0667 Email ryan@ryanbuckhannon.com
2. Description of Openinstina Its Coals and Objectives.
3. Description of Organization, Its Goals and Objectives:
Please see attachment

Г	otion and Location of Project:  Please see attachment
	Trease see attachment
<b>✓</b>	Single Event? Ongoing Event/Annual Nee
1.	Date(s): of project/ event or start date: 09/01/2023 Completion date:
2.	Impact on Tourism: What percentage of persons benefitting from this practice are tourists, ie. those coming from more than 50 miles away and expected spend the night on Isle of Palms ( 75 %) compared to Isle of Palms residents ( 5 %) vs. visitors from within 50 miles such as "day trippers ( 20 %)
	*Source of tourist data (website tracking, surveys, lodging data, sales information, etc.)
3.	If this application is for an ongoing event, what is the percentage increase/decrease in tourist attendance compared to each of the past three years' events? no*Source of tourist data (website tracking, surveys, lodging data, sales information, etc.)
4.	Is your event to be conducted entirely on Isle of Palms? <u>yes</u> If not, please set forth the percentage occurring on Isle of Palms, as well as the specific locations and the percentages occurring elsewhere.
5.	To your knowledge, does anyone else promote projects similar to yours the city limits of Isle of Palms? If so, how is your project similar and/or unique? Given the parameters, please explain why your project is entitle City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding.
6.	Set forth fully the successes and failures you have experienced for your proposed project for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding each of the past three years. Set forth the metrics by which you have

	measured success for the past three years, as well as the metrics by which you
	will measure success for the current year's project/event on the City of Isle of
	Palms.
7.	Describe fully how and why your proposed project/event qualifies for City of
	Isle of Palms ATAX funding. see attached
8.	If your project is granted City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding and realizes a
	profit, do you commit to returning the profit to the City of Isle of Palms? yes
	If not, please explain fully, to include what you will do with the money. <b>Note</b> :
	It is impermissible to donate or "pass through" City of Isle of Palms ATAX
	grants to any other organization, except as authorized by City of Isle of Palms.
	Further, the City of Isle of Palms does not approve of "carry forwards" of
	ATAX grants for use in ensuing years, absent extraordinary and compelling
	reasons in the sole discretion of the City of Isle of Palms. Excess funds must
	be returned to the City of Isle of Palms.
9.	Please attach your budget reflecting the amounts and sources of all related
	income and donations from others for the project/event, as well as
	expenditures for each of the last three years. In addition, set forth projected
	income and expenses for this year's project/event, as well as all expenses,
	both incurred and paid, as well as projected.
D. Financ	ial Justification ("heads on beds" and ancillary benefits)
1.	Describe fully and provide relevant documentation for each of the past three
	years reflecting:
	- Where, as a specific result of your project/event, have tourists spent the
	night on Isle of Palms, ie. those incurring accommodations taxes for lodging.
	Include the lodging providers addresses phone numbers, rooms utilized, costs
	and nights stayed.
	-Where do you project tourists for this year's project to spend the night (ie.
	lodging for those expected to pay accommodations taxes, to include hotels,
	condos, house rentals, etc. )? What is the basis for your projection? As an
	illustration, you may set forth blocks of rooms in hotels that have been
	reserved, private lodging that has been booked or are expected to be booked,
	etc.
	please see attached
2	Drawide all additional accompanie and other relevant information in this the
۷.	Provide all additional economic and other relevant information justifying the grant of ATAX funding by City of Isle of Palms for your project/event, as
	well as your means of calculation. please see attached
3	Set forth the number of tourists attending your project/event on the Isle of
3.	Palms for each of the past three years. Include where applicable all relevant
	documentation along with the methodology by which you have done your
	calculations.
	please see attached
4	Set forth the number of attendees projected for this year's project/event, and
•••	well as the means of calculation please see attached

	5.	Is the project/event for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding during the "off season" or "shoulder season"? If not, please explain the justification. Are proposed dates flexible so as to be amenable to off-season
	6.	and/or shoulder season scheduling? yes  Describe fully all potentially negative aspects of your project/event, if any.  This would include, by way of illustration, the potential for overcrowding particularly during warm weather months, parking challenges, health and safety issues, added responsibilities and difficulties imposed on first responders, impact on peace and tranquility- especially in residential neighborhoods and for tourists and factors potentially impacting adversely on the character of the City of Isle of Palms.
E. Ma	rke	ting Plan
	De yo bro	escribe fully your past three years marketing for your project/event, as well as ur current year's advertising and marketing plan, to include all means of padcast. Please include and attach all applicable documentation and the pjected costs involved.
		please see attached
F. Fu docun		ng: Sources of Income for This Project/Event (Please attach all supporting s)
1.	Sp	onsorships or Fundraising: Amount \$ From
2.	En	try Fees : Amount \$ From
3.	Do	onations: Amount \$ From
4.	Ac	ecommodations Tax Funds Request: Amount \$ _ 10,000
	Da	te(s) Required: Lump Sum Installments
5.	Ot	her: \$ 24,223.00 From the Chamber of Commerce Membership
6.	То	tal Funding: \$\\$34,223.00 Total Budget: \$\\$34,223.00
G. Fir	ianc	cial Analysis
Ple	ase	Provide a Line Item Budget for your project/event
		please see attached
If a	ıwar	ded, Isle of Palms ATAX funds are requested as follows:

Revised February 8, 2021

(1)	Lump Sum(s): \$       on       (date),         \$       on       (date),         \$       on       (date).
	Payment of Invoices as submitted to City Staff. Invoices should be submitted least two weeks prior to due date.
H. Miscell	laneous
1.	In what category do you place your project/event and why?  - Festival  - Marketing Marketing front beach area  - Other (Please Explain):
2.	Have you affirmatively reached out to the City of Isle of Palms staff for initial review for your project/event and if not, please explain. If you have reached out, what feedback did you receive, both positive and negative and specifically from whom?
3.	If applicable, explain why you have not sought funding from sources other than the City of Isle of Palms for the funding of your project/event. If you have sought alternate or additional funding, explain fully the results to include the source(s) for funding, from whom received and set forth all amounts received or expected to be received from other sources.
4.	Does your project/event have applicable liability insurance, to include the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents and if so, what are the liability limits? If not, please explain why not and explain who will agree to bear the costs, burdens, damages and legal fees for your project/event in case claims for damages are made against the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents as a result of your project/event. A minimum of \$300,000 of liability insurance is typically required unless that requirement is specifically waived in writing by the City of Isle of Palms in its sole discretion. If there is applicable insurance, do you commit to making the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents additional insured(s)? If not, explain fully the basis. If applicable, you must include a copy of the relevant insurance policy reflecting the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents are additional insured(s) for your project/event
5.	Do you assert that the project/event for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding is sustainable in the future? If so, please explain fully. If not, please explain fully.
6.	In the event City of Isle of Palms grants your project/event ATAX grant funding, do you acknowledge that no such funds can be spent for the purchase of alcohol or tobacco products? <u>yes</u> If not, please explain your

7. In the event your project/event is awarded City of Isle of Palms ATAX grant

justification. \_

- funding, but is postponed for more than 180 days of receipt of funding, do you acknowledge that you must return to the City of Isle of Palms all ATAX grant money received from Isle of Palms absent extraordinary circumstances and within the sole discretion of the City of Isle of Palms? Do you agree? yes If you do not agree, please set forth fully your reasons.
- 8. In the event your project/event is granted City of Isle of Palms ATAX grant funding, you must and do hereby agree by the filing your application personally to hold harmless and indemnity the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents from and against any claims for damages to include, *inter alia*, legal fees relative to your project/event. Do you agree? yes If not, please explain. \_\_\_\_\_\_ If not, please explain fully your basis.
- 9. In the event the City of Isle of Palms provides ATAX grant funding for your event/project, set forth in detail how you will acknowledge the City of Isle of Palms as a grantor of funding.

We can list the city as a grantor of the funding in our promotions and social media

#### B. 3. Description of Organization, Its Goals and Objectives:

Officially chartered in 2022, the Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce is an organization whose primary purpose is to connect community and support the business community on the Isle of Palms. However, the Chamber goes beyond simply being a platform for professional partnerships. It aims to create a sense of camaraderie and friendship among its members, viewing them as champions and allies.

The Chamber's overarching vision for the Isle of Palms is "Connecting Community" and creating an environment where all local entities can flourish. This community includes business owners, residents, and visitors to the island. The Chamber recognizes that the entire community's well-being is essential for sustained growth and success.

The Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce is committed to providing various support and assistance to achieve its goals, including working with the city government and organizing networking events, educational workshops, and seminars to help the community thrive. The The chamber also acts as a resource hub, offering guidance and information on business development, marketing strategies, and community engagement.

Furthermore, the Chamber sees its role as advocating for its members and the community. It promotes local businesses' interests and needs, ensuring their voices are heard and represented in matters affecting the Isle of Palms. By advocating for favorable business conditions and collaborating with local authorities, the Chamber aims to create a positive economic environment.

Ultimately, the Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce dedicates itself to supporting and uplifting its residential neighbors, recognizing them as the true heart and soul of the community. By fostering a strong and united business community, the Chamber strives to enhance the quality of life for residents, create memorable experiences for visitors, and contribute to the long-term prosperity of the Isle of Palms.

#### C. Description and Location of Project:

The Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce has undertaken an exciting "Light Up the Front Beach" project to enhance the ambiance and appeal of the city's promenade. The Chamber plans to initiate a phased project in collaboration with Carolina Landscape Lighting, a trusted contractor known for their excellent work in Christmas light installations for the city. Phase one involves the installation of café-style lights along Ocean Blvd., specifically from The Windjammer to 14th Ave.

Phase one will implement café-style lights on stainless steel aircraft cables in the median from the Windjammer to 14th Ave and above the beachside sidewalk from the Windjammer to 14th Ave. The Chamber aims to create a visually stunning and inviting atmosphere along the city's prominent beachfront area. These lights will be securely fastened to the cables, ensuring their durability and safety. Phase two will implement the same café-style lights on stainless steel aircraft cables above the landward side sidewalk from the Windjammer to 14th Ave. The Chamber has already proceeded and completed Phase One of the project.

Installing café-style lights along a city promenade can offer numerous benefits to tourism and safety. Firstly, these lights will significantly enhance the area's aesthetic appeal, providing a warm and inviting ambiance for residents and visitors. The light's soft, subtle glow creates a charming and intimate atmosphere, ideal for evening strolls, outdoor dining experiences, and socializing. This improved ambiance can attract more tourists, boosting tourism and encouraging longer stays as visitors enjoy the beautiful surroundings.

Additionally, the café-style lights contribute to enhanced safety along the promenade. The increased illumination provided by these lights ensures better visibility during nighttime hours, making it easier for pedestrians and drivers to navigate the area safely. The well-lit environment helps reduce the risks of accidents, enhancing overall public safety.

Before commencing the project, the Chamber took proactive steps to ensure the feasibility and approval of their plans. They held meetings with key stakeholders such as Fire Chief Oliverius, Police Chief Cornett, and Public Works Assistant Director Asero, who all reviewed and endorsed the project's concept, design, and installation. This collaboration with relevant authorities ensures that safety measures and regulations are followed.

The Chamber has committed to covering the lighting maintenance to maintain the lights' functionality and appearance. The contractor will conduct regular quarterly inspections to ensure the lights are in proper working condition and securely fastened. This proactive maintenance approach ensures the lights remain attractive along the promenade, consistently contributing to the area's appeal and safety.

Overall, the installation of café-style lights along Ocean Blvd. in Isle of Palms' phase one of the "Light Up Front Beach" project promises to be a transformative initiative. By creating an enchanting atmosphere, attracting more tourists, and improving safety conditions, the Chamber of Commerce aims to enhance the overall experience of residents and visitors alike.

Objective: The primary objectives of the project are as follows:

- 1. Enhance Tourism Appeal: The "Light up Front Beach" project aims to attract more tourists to the City of Isle of Palms by creating an enchanting and memorable ambiance along the Front Beach area. The visually appealing lighting will contribute to a positive and unique visitor experience, encouraging longer stays and repeat visits.
- 2. Boost Economic Vitality: The project intends to stimulate economic growth and support local businesses by increasing tourism. The enhanced aesthetics and inviting atmosphere will likely draw more visitors to the Front Beach area, leading to increased foot traffic and patronage for restaurants, shops, and other establishments. This, in turn, will generate additional revenue and job opportunities for the local community.
- 3. Community Engagement: The project aims to foster a sense of community pride and engagement by transforming the Front Beach area into a vibrant, inviting public space. Residents will benefit from the improved aesthetics, which can positively impact their quality of life. The project will also provide local businesses, residents, and community organizations opportunities to collaborate and participate in the event planning.

Funding Request: The Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce is seeking funding from the City of Isle of Palms Accommodations Tax to support the "Light up Front Beach" project. The requested funds will be utilized to purchase and install the decorative lighting fixtures.

#### Qualification for Accommodations Tax Funding:

- 1. Tourism Promotion: The "Light up Front Beach" project directly aligns with the purpose of the City of Isle of Palms Accommodations Tax, which is to promote tourism and attract visitors to the area. The enhanced aesthetics and visually appealing lighting will create a unique and memorable experience for tourists, encouraging them to choose the Isle of Palms as a destination.
- 2. Economic Impact: The project will directly impact the local economy by increasing tourism and foot traffic. The enhanced Front Beach area will attract more visitors, who will likely spend money on accommodations, dining, shopping, and other activities. This increased economic activity will generate additional revenue, create employment opportunities, and support local businesses.
- 3. Community Benefit: The "Light up Front Beach" project is not solely focused on tourism but also aims to benefit the local community. The improved aesthetics will enhance the quality of life for residents, providing them with an inviting public space to enjoy. Additionally, the project will foster community engagement and collaboration by involving local businesses, residents, and community organizations in the event planning and implementation processes. In conclusion, the "Light up Front Beach" project proposed by the Isle of Palms Chamber of Commerce qualifies for funding from the City of Isle of Palms Accommodations Tax. The project aligns with the tax's objectives of promoting tourism, boosting economic vitality, and benefiting the local community. The requested funds will be used to purchase and install decorative lighting fixtures and support event planning and promotion efforts, enhancing the visitor experience and attracting more tourists to the Isle of Palms.

## State Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Isle of Palms, South Carolina

### Application for City of Isle of Palms ATAX Grant

#### For Office Use Only

Date Received:		To	tal Project Cost	<u>:</u>
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Date	_Approved	Denied	Amended	Other

### (Please Use Additional Paper and Include Pertinent Documentation as May Be Needed)

- A. Project Name: Wild Dunes Author Event with Mary Alice Monroe B. Applicant Organization: Mary Alice Monroe, Ltd.
  - 1. Mailing Address: 7 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Isle of Palms, SC 29451

Telephone: 842-327-4270 Email: maryalice@maryalicemonroe.com

2. Project Director: Mary Alice Monroe

Telephone: 843-327-4270 Email maryalice@maryalicemonroe.com

3. Description of Organization, Its Goals and Objectives:

To establish a nationally prominent literary event on Isle of Palms

To bring 500 plus people to Isle of Palms in January

To promote local businesses and awareness of Isle of Palms.

To support local literacy efforts.

#### C. Description and Location of Project:

The Wild Dunes Author Event with Mary Alice Monroe is a nationally recognized literary event that brings 500 plus people to Isle of Palms every January to enjoy celebrated authors and artists in a beautiful setting. Last year (2023) we brought in #1 New York Times Authors David Baldacci and Kathy Reichs. Also, author Deborah Goodrich Royce, owner of Ocean House in Rhode Island, our new "sister" event which will grow our event in the northeast.

For 2024 we have New York Times bestselling authors William Kent Krueger, Shelby van Pelt, and Stacy Willingham headlining our program. The event is already half sold out. *Forbes Magazine* stated the Wild Dunes Author Event with Mary Alice Monroe was one of the "best reasons to come to Charleston in the winter."

Last year we expanded the one-day event to a two-day weekend event (Friday night, Saturday, Sunday). In 2025 we hope to expand the event further to include local artists, poets, nonfiction, and add another day (Monday).

This is an exciting time of growth. In addition, in 2023 we initiated the *Wild Dunes Seasonal Author Events*, a new four events per year schedule. These three smaller events will bring visitors to Isle of Palms in spring, summer, and fall with bestselling authors. The summer event is a children's event. These seasonal events hold 75-125 guests per event. Combined with the winter of 500 visitors, the literary events will bring in 800 plus guests to Isle of Palms per year.

We want to formally involve and include island restaurants, rentals, and other businesses in our plans for expansion.

The location of the event is exclusively Isle of Palms.

\_\_ Single Event?

X\_\_ Ongoing Event/Annual Need?

- 1. Date(s): of project/ event or start date: Jan. 14, 2024 Completion date: Jan. 16, 2024 Additional seasonal events in April, July, September.
- 2. Impact on Tourism: What percentage of persons benefitting from this project are tourists, ie. those coming from more than 50 miles away and expected to spend the night on Isle of Palms (25\_%) compared to Isle of Palms residents (75\_%) vs. visitors from within 50 miles such as "day trippers" (%)
  - \*Source of tourist data (website tracking, surveys, lodging data, sales information, etc.)

We used lodging and sales data from Wild Dunes. We have switched to a new ticketing firm which will track zip codes in more detail. In 2024 we will conduct surveys.

3. If this application is for an ongoing event, what is the percentage increase/decrease in tourist attendance compared to each of the past three years' events?

2020 we sold out the Sweetgrass Conference Center at 350 tickets.

2021 canceled due to Covid.

2022 we sold 353 tickets but had to cancel due to Covid

2023 we moved to the new Osprey Ballroom of Wild Dunes and added another day to the event. The event sold out 500 tickets for Sunday event, plus additional 128 tickets for Saturday workshops and 45 for boat tour. 146 guests stayed at Wild Dunes hotel.

Attached is a list of zip codes for hotel guests.

We used Wild Dunes ticket sales, lodging data, and sales information. We did not measure tourist data from local rentals and hotels, etc.

- 4. Is your event to be conducted entirely on Isle of Palms? YES\_\_\_\_ If not, please set forth the percentage occurring on Isle of Palms, as well as the specific locations and the percentages occurring elsewhere.
- 5. To your knowledge, does anyone else promote projects similar to yours within the city limits of Isle of Palms? NO If so, how is your project similar and/or unique? Given the parameters, please explain why your project is entitled to City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding. NO
- 6. Set forth fully the successes and failures you have experienced for your proposed project for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding for each of the past three years. Set forth the metrics by which you have measured success for the past three years, as well as the metrics by which you will measure success for the current year's project/event on the City of Isle of Palms.

Based on ticket sales, our growth has continued upward.

2020 we sold out 425 tickets.

2021 canceled due to Covid.

2022 we sold 353 tickets but had to cancel due to Covid

2023 we sold out 500 tickets for Sunday event, plus additional 128 tickets for Saturday workshops and 45 for boat tour.

My failure was not collecting data using professional metrics. We did not have the manpower or the financial support to do so. We hope that with ATAX support, we can grow the event and use modern measurements to analyze our growth and success.

7. Describe fully how and why your proposed project/event qualifies for City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding.

For nineteen years we have held this literary event on Isle of Palms with only the donated support of Wild Dunes Resort and local businesses. The event has grown from 50 people to 500 and is a nationally recognized literary event. We are proud of the success of the event and that it is held on my home island, Isle of Palms. We are

at a tipping point.

With ATAX funding we hope to grow the event to continue to attract the top literary names in the country and to increase and grow the involvement of the Isle of Palms businesses, lodging, restaurants, etc in tourist activities over the weekend, especially during the quiet month of January.

This event receives national attention and puts Isle of Palms on the map for literary and cultural events.

8. If your project is granted City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding and realizes a profit, do you commit to returning the profit to the City of Isle of Palms?

Any profit from the event is donated or passed through to local literacy programs. This year the recipient is Reading Partners of South Carolina.

If not, please explain fully, to include what you will do with the money. **Note**: It is impermissible to donate or "pass through" City of Isle of Palms ATAX grants to any other organization, except as authorized by City of Isle of Palms. Further, the City of Isle of Palms does not approve of "carry forwards" of ATAX grants for use in ensuing years, absent extraordinary and compelling reasons in the sole discretion of the City of Isle of Palms. Excess funds must be returned to the City of Isle of Palms.

9. Please attach your budget reflecting the amounts and sources of all related income and donations from others for the project/event, as well as expenditures for each of the last three years. In addition, set forth projected income and expenses for this year's project/event, as well as all expenses, both incurred and paid, as well as projected.

I do not have information for beyond 2023. For nearly twenty years we ran the event with donated services and space. Food and expenses were paid for directly from ticket price. If plane fare was required for speakers, again it came from ticket price. I personally paid for all promotion, private dinners with authors, and Angela's services on the project. All profits (100%) went to literacy charity.

For 2023income and expenses: See attached.

#### D. Financial Justification ("heads on beds" and ancillary benefits)

- 1. Describe fully and provide relevant documentation for each of the past three years reflecting:
  - Where, as a specific result of your project/event, have tourists spent the night on Isle of Palms, ie. those incurring accommodations taxes for lodging. Include the lodging providers addresses phone numbers, rooms utilized, costs

and nights stayed.

See attached for tourists spending the night on Isle of Palms at Wild Dunes. Many of our guests are day trippers. I do not have information from local hotels and rentals but I am aware many people did rent hotel space elsewhere.

-Where do you project tourists for this year's project to spend the night (ie. lodging for those expected to pay accommodations taxes, to include hotels, condos, house rentals, etc. )? What is the basis for your projection? As an illustration, you may set forth blocks of rooms in hotels that have been reserved, private lodging that has been booked or are expected to be booked, etc

The number of lodging reservations is expected to increase in 2024 due to expanded weekend activities and more out of town advertising. As we grow the event and include the island, more out of town visitors will atten.

Wild Dunes always blocks rooms at a discounted price for the event. I hope to include island rentals in the future.

2. Provide all additional economic and other relevant information justifying the grant of ATAX funding by City of Isle of Palms for your project/event, as well as your means of calculation.

With the expansion and growth of the event, for 2024 I have hired:

- a) Director of Program to oversee event and to coordinate with Isle of Palms businesses. \$3000.
- b) Marketing and Media specialist (Cost to be determined).
- c) New ticket provider (Charleston City Paper) to track information.
- 3. Set forth the number of tourists attending your project/event on the Isle of Palms for each of the past three years.
  - 2020 sold out 425 tickets.
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The majority of our attendees are visitors to the Isle of Palms, not residents. Numbers above based on ticket sales.

4. Set forth the number of attendees projected for this year's project/event, and well as the means of calculation.

We expect to sell out tickets at 500. We are currently at 401 tickets sold total. Boat ride with Shelby van Pelt to Dewees is sold out Happy Hour with WKK is sold out

183 General Admission sold94 VIP Admission sold45 Mimosas with Stacy Willingham

Calculation is based on tickets sold.

- 5. Is the project/event for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding during the "off season" or "shoulder season"? If not, please explain the justification. Are proposed dates flexible so as to be amenable to off-season and/or shoulder season scheduling?

  YES
- 6. Describe fully all potentially negative aspects of your project/event, if any. This would include, by way of illustration, the potential for overcrowding particularly during warm weather months, parking challenges, health and safety issues, added responsibilities and difficulties imposed on first responders, impact on peace and tranquility- especially in residential neighborhoods and for tourists and factors potentially impacting adversely on the character of the City of Isle of Palms.

This event is held in January every year. In nineteen years, we have never had negative aspects of the project for Isle of Palms. Parking is arranged by Wild Dunes.

For the spring, summer, and fall events, the number of guests is significantly smaller, and parking is provided by Wild Dunes Resort.

#### E. Marketing Plan

Describe fully your past three years marketing for your project/event, as well as your current year's advertising and marketing plan, to include all means of broadcast. Please include and attach all applicable documentation and the projected costs involved.

The Wild Dunes Author Event & Weekend is made possible by the generous sponsors who donate time, space, products, or money to make this event a success for literacy. It is made possible by our featured authors who donate their time to attend. This philanthropic effort reflects positively on the authors, the resort, and the Isle of Palms.

Monroe invites authors she personally knows a year in advance. Our marketing plan begins approximately 4 months ahead of the event weekend with outreach to Wild Dunes Club members, then to Mary Alice Monroe's newsletter subscribers and social media followers. From there, our bookstore, sponsors, and authors help amplify the news about ticket sales. We do a mix of traditional media outreach in local newspapers, local television, and online local news outlets. Mary Alice Monroe does interviews for print and goes on television at local news station(s) to promote the event. We have spent less than \$50 total on social media advertising. These efforts have led to a successful, sold-out attendance each year.

documents)

1.	Sponsorships or Fundraising: Amount .Unspecified From: Sponsorships of product from: Firefly Distillery, Charleston Coffee Roasters, Carolines Cakes, Barrier Island Eco Tours, Long Island Café, J McLaughlin, Wild Dunes Resort
2.	Entry Fees: Amount \$.500. From Jennifer O'Brian, Dewees Island Read Estate
3.	Donations: Amount \$ 1000 From Emily Swanson See Attached
4.	Accommodations Tax Funds Request: Amount \$20,000,
_	Date(s) Required :Jan. 15, 2024. Lump or Installments both acceptable.
-	Other Total Funding: Total Budget: \$65,000
Fin	ancial Analysis
Ple	ase Provide a Line Item Budget for your project/event
See	e Attached.
If a	warded, Isle of Palms ATAX funds are requested as follows:
vise	ed February 8, 2021
	(1) Lump Sum(s): \$       on       (date),         \$       on       (date),         \$       on       (date).
	(2) Payment of Invoices as submitted to City Staff. Invoices should be submitted at least two weeks prior to due date.
Mis	scellaneous
	<ol> <li>In what category do you place your project/event and why?         <ul> <li>Festival</li> <li>Marketing</li> <li>Other _(Please Explain):</li> <li>Literary Event over Martin Luther King 3 day weekend. Plus, additional</li> <li>Literary events in Spring, Summer Fall.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
	2. Have you affirmatively reached out to the City of Isle of Palms staff for initial

review for your project/event and if not, please explain. If you have reached

out, what feedback did you receive, both positive and negative and

specifically from whom? Reached out to Desiree Fragoso (I was once on the ATAX committee for Isle of Palms.)

3. If applicable, explain why you have not sought funding from sources other than the City of Isle of Palms for the funding of your project/event. If you

amounts received or expected to be received from other sources.

Up until now, this was a passion project I managed with great personal effort solely with the support of Wild Dunes Resort and donations. I am an author and fortunate to have author friends I could invite to the the events. However, the event has grown to such importance and visitor

numbers that to move forward I need support. I also recognize the great

have sought alternate or additional funding, explain fully the results to include the source(s) for funding, from whom received and set forth all

potential of working closely with the Isle of Palms businesses to explore new opportunities for growth.

4. Does your project/event have applicable liability insurance, to include the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents and if so, what are the liability limits? If not, please explain why not and explain who will agree to bear the costs, burdens, damages and legal fees for your project/event in case claims for damages are made against the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents as a result of your project/event. A minimum of \$300,000 of liability insurance is typically required unless that requirement is specifically waived in writing by the City of Isle of Palms in its sole discretion. If there is applicable insurance, do you commit to making the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents additional insured(s)? If not, explain fully the basis. If applicable, you must include a copy of the relevant insurance policy reflecting the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents are additional insured(s) for your project/event.

Wild Dunes has liability insurance for the event.

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	YES INDEED with pride.

# 2023 BUDGET AND EXPENSES FOR WILD DUNES AUTHOR EVENT From Ticket Sales

Julian Buxton Books	\$13,823.19
Jersey Mikes	\$115.90
Cheese Plate Sat Event at Art Gallery	\$546.99
Printing	\$2,371.55
Flowers	\$1,128.97
Firefly tasting	\$250
Facebook Ad	\$17.26
IslandEyenews ad	\$350
Brunch with Deb-Banquets	\$1,652.45
Authors Event -Banquets	\$9,653.98
Authors Dinner	\$797.82
Art Gallery Bookmarks	\$217.72

\$30,925.83

Assistant Expenses \$3000.

Airfare \$1000.

Total: \$34,925.83

# 2023 WILD DUNES AUTHOR EVENT WITH MARY ALICE MONROE DONATED TO EVENT

Room Rental and staff and Wild Dunes Resort \$18,000.

Hotel Rooms for 3 authors/3 nights all amenities \$3500.

Coffee from Charleston Coffee Roasters

Cakes from Caroline's Cakes

Signature Coctailf form Firefly Distillery

Boat tour to Dewees Island from Barrier Island EcoTours

Dinner party at Long Island Café

Room Décor with Wild Dunes

DONATION TO LITERACY \$15,000

	Paid Room Nights
Fri 1/13/23	113
Sat 1/14/23	146
Sun 1/15/23	134
	Paid Room Nights
Fri 1/14/22	40
Sat 1/15/22	39
Sun 1/16/22	34
	Paid Room Nights
Fri 1/17/20	18
Sat 1/18/20	28
Sun 1/19/20	22
	Paid Room Nights
Fri 1/11/19	63
Sat 1/12/19	5
Sun 1/13/19	4

Zip Code	Name	Guest#	Package	Res#	Unit	Туре	Arrive
28467	Asbjornson, Karol	3GB5WT	3I14K5	3I163U	S237	SORGX	13-Jan
28139	Bails, Eleanor	3GB5DB	3I14K5	3I15VJ	Z203A	Z0RG	13-Jan
	Baldacci, David	3GB939	COMPWD	3I21RU	S315	SORG	14-Jan
	Bennett, Kathie	3G87PM	COMPWD	312154	S321	SORGX	14-Jan
29576	Blasi, Margaret	3GB5QP	3I14K5	3I162J	1423	IORGX	14-Jan
28468	Bordeaux, Katie	3GB58G	3I14K5	3I15MK	Z401B	Z2CGK	14-Jan
29576	Devivo, Margaret	3GB5I5	3I14K5	311614	1414	IORG	14-Jan
29566	Earnhardt, Amanda	3GB6Z3	FADE15	3I187P	1204	IORG	14-Jan
30114	Faber, Linda	3GB6L8	3I14K5	3I17BE	S522	SORGX	14-Jan
30607	Hernandez, Nancy	3GB7OH	3I14K5	3I18WH	S225	SORG	13-Jan
29487	Kahre, Raymond	3GB8P6	3I14K5	3120ZU	S415	SORV	14-Jan
21042	O'connell, Brian	3GB61X	3I14K5	3I16FY	S223	SORG	14-Jan
28741	Ratchford, Bill	3GB6W1	3I14K5	3I17XS	S326	SORG	14-Jan
29676	Reams, Bethany	3FP2B4	3I14K5	3I168G	Z505B	Z1CVL	13-Jan
	Royce, Deborah	3GB93F	COMPWD	3I21S0	S239	SORG	14-Jan
29576	Sartori, Melinda	3G54CJ	3I14K5	3I15GD	I419	IORG	14-Jan
27262	Smith, Cathi	3GB58X	FADE15	3I15NP	S337	SORGX	14-Jan
29576	Tutrone, Katherine	3GB5HQ	3I14K5	3I15XD	1405	IORGX	14-Jan
	White, Kristen	3GB93G	COMPWD	3I21S2	S338	SORG	14-Jan
28704	Wodek, Suzanne	3GB8FB	FADE	3120DG	S433	SORV	15-Jan

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State Accommodations Tax Ac	dvisory Committee Isle of Palms, South Carolina
Application for City of Isle of I	Palms ATAX Grant For Office Use Only
Date Received:	
Total Project Cost:	Total Accommodations Tax Funds
Requested:	Recommendation by City of
IOP Staff(yes and if so amount	;no; defer to committee; n/a):
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on Taken By Accommodations	Tax Advisory Committee:
DateApproved	DeniedAmendedOther
(Please Use Additional Paper	and Include Pertinent Documentation as May
Be Needed)	-
A. Project Name: Rev. Dr. M	Cartin Luther King, Jr., Tribute Week VIP Reception
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B. Applicant Organization: Y	WCA Greater Charleston (YWCAGC)
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<ul><li>B. Applicant Organization: Y</li><li>1. Mailing Address: PO Box</li></ul>	WCA Greater Charleston (YWCAGC)

2. Project Director: <u>Lavanda Brown Executive Director</u>

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3. Description of Organization, Its Goals and Objectives:

YWCA Greater Charleston (YWCAGC) is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all. As part of its mission, we are the organizer of the Charleston Region's Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute (MLK).

#### C. Description and Location of Project:

This application is to sponsor the first event that will launch the 6 day tribute to Dr. King. The inaugural VIP Reception will be held at the Sweetgrass Inn on Wednesday January10, 2024 (the slowest time of the tourist year). It is likely that many of the 150-180 guests will remain overnight on the island as they have not yet checked into other accommodations and will find it convenient to remain in place either for the night or for the entire week of festivities. The resort is generously donating the event space and offering a discount on rooms for guests. IOP is in a unique position to create a new revenue source that could expand our client base significantly. With the opening of the International African American

Museum (IAAM) downtown (a partner of YWCAGC), it is likely that MLK weekend
could become a major destination during a time when there is excess
accommodation availability. By hosting the premier opening event of the week, the
island is positioning itself to be a major destination for participants, and to
encourage new visitors to return for vacations at other times of the year.
Yes Single Event? Ongoing Event/Annual Need?
This could easily become an annual event but we are asking for funding only for
year 1.

- 1. Date(s): of project/ event or start date: <u>10/10/2024</u>; Completion date: <u>10/10/2024</u>
- 2. Impact on Tourism: What percentage of persons benefitting from this project are tourists, ie. those coming from more than 50 miles away and expected to spend the night on Isle of Palms (50%) compared to Isle of Palms residents (10%) vs. visitors from within 50 miles such as "day trippers" (40%)

  \*\*Because the reception is for elite visitors, we anticipate many will prefer the convenience of remaining on the island either overnight of for the entire weekend. Guests will include corporate donors, elected officials and other dignitaries. Since this is the first time this event has been held, we cannot be more specific this year but can provide statistics after the event.

  \*Source of tourist data (website tracking, surveys, lodging data, sales information, etc.)
- 4. Is your event to be conducted entirely on Isle of Palms? **YES** 
  - 1. If not, please set forth the percentage occurring on Isle of Palms, as well as the specific locations and the percentages occurring elsewhere.

    Other MLK events will be held throughout the Charleston area but are not part of this application.
- 5. To your knowledge, does anyone else promote projects similar to yours within the city limits of Isle of Palms? If so, how is your project similar and/or unique? Given the parameters, please explain why your project is

entitled to City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding.

There is no similar event on IOP today and IOP City Council has voted to host the event. It is a unique opportunity to bring a diverse clientele to the island and expand heads in beds during the slowest time of the year.

- 6. Set forth fully the successes and failures you have experienced for your proposed project for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding for each of the past three years. Set forth the metrics by which you have measured success for the past three years, as well as the metrics by which you will measure success for the current year's project/event on the City of Isle of Palms.
  - With the help of Jan Anderson, we have met with incredible success in planning and scheduling the VIP Reception. When the Wild Dunes Resort was approached, they immediately committed to donating the event space free of charge and to discount rooms for guests. When the Charleston Visitors Bureau (CVB) was approached, they immediately agreed to donate food and beverage costs (bringing IOP ATAX contributions back to the island). A Gullah/Geechie island resident is providing centerpieces, and we are recruiting a band to provide entertainment. IOP City Council has agreed to be hosts. We have never seen everyone coalesce around an idea as quickly as for this event.
- 7. Describe fully how and why your proposed project/event qualifies for City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding.

  The MLK VIP Reception is a unique opportunity to bring a diverse clientele to the island and expand heads in beds during the slowest time of the year. As the initial sponsor of the VIP event, the island is positioned to become a destination for future MLK week visitors, introducing a new demographic to the island and to other island vacation offerings. There is no better way to spend ATAX dollars than to support an event during the slowest time of the year and to a new demographic.
  - 8. If your project is granted City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding and realizes a profit, do you commit to returning the profit to the City of Isle of Palms?

    \_\_\_\_ If not, please explain fully, to include what you will do with the money.

    Note: It is impermissible to donate or "pass through" City of Isle of Palms ATAX grants to any other organization, except as authorized by City of Isle of Palms. Further, the City of Isle of Palms does not approve of "carry forwards" of ATAX grants for use in ensuing years, absent extraordinary

and compelling reasons in the sole discretion of the City of Isle of Palms. Excess funds must be returned to the City of Isle of Palms. The YWCA does not profit from their events. All fundraisers help YWCAGC offer programming and services and no or low cost to participants (men, women, and youth). If anticipated costs are lower than expected and there are unused funds, with the permission of the ATAX committee, we request that they be used for either a) other MLK event expenses; or b) other YWCA expenses. If this is not permitted, we would return unused funds to IOP.

9. Please attach your budget reflecting the amounts and sources of all related income and donations from others for the project/event, as well as expenditures for each of the last three years. In addition, set forth projected income and expenses for this year's project/event, as well as all expenses, both incurred and paid, as well as projected.

\*\*Because this is the first year for the VIP Reception, we do not have a detailed budget to share but will gladly submit a detailed account after the event. Anticipated expenses include: Room rental: \$8500 donated by Wild Dunes Resort; Food and beverage: \$35000 provided by CVB; Centerpieces: \$2500 loaned by the artist: band. TBD; invitations, mailings, administrative cost, marketing/communications: \$10,000.

#### D. Financial Justification ("heads on beds" and ancillary benefits)

- 1. Describe fully and provide relevant documentation for each of the past three years reflecting:
  - Where, as a specific result of your project/event, have tourists spent the night on Isle of Palms, ie. those incurring accommodations taxes for lodging. Include the lodging providers addresses phone numbers, rooms utilized, costs and nights stayed.

Since this is the first year, there is no history of lodging on the island.

-Where do you project tourists for this year's project to spend the night (ie. lodging for those expected to pay accommodations taxes, to include hotels, condos, house rentals, etc. )? What is the basis for your projection? As an illustration, you may set forth blocks of rooms in hotels that have been reserved, private lodging that has been booked or are expected to be booked, etc.

We anticipate that many of the 180 reception guests may stay at the Resort, especially since the resort of offering a discount. Those overnight guests will dine in local restaurants and possibly extend their stay too.

- 2. Provide all additional economic and other relevant information justifying the grant of ATAX funding by City of Isle of Palms for your project/event, as well as your means of calculation.

  \*\*Recause this is the first year, we can only provide a rough estimate. We
  - Because this is the first year, we can only provide a rough estimate. We anticipate that half of the invited guests would be from out of town and stay at hotels on the island, dining at restaurants and visiting shops. It is also more likely that reception guests would return for family vacations after receiving such a warm reception from our community.
- 3. Set forth the number of tourists attending your project/event on the Isle of Palms for each of the past three years. Include where applicable all relevant documentation along with the methodology by which you have done your calculations.
  - The MLK tribute is the longest running and has grown into the largest tribute of its kind in South Carolina. It draws participants from across the state and beyond. The VIP reception is the first event of its kind for the MLK tribute but it is likely this event will evolve into a week-long destination with the support of the CVB and the IAAM museum. IOP will be well positioned to capitalize on this event as a showpiece for the island.
- 4. Set forth the number of attendees projected for this year's project/event, and well as the means of calculation.

  This event is by invitation only and will include as many as 180 invited guests of which we estimate half may opt to stay on the island overnight.
- 5. Is the project/event for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding during the "off season" or "shoulder season"? If not, please explain the justification. Are proposed dates flexible so as to be amenable to off-season and/or shoulder season scheduling?

  The event will always occur during the slowest time of the year when there is excess capacity of rooms, restaurants, and beach space.
- 6. Describe fully all potentially negative aspects of your project/event, if any. This would include, by way of illustration, the potential for overcrowding particularly during warm weather months, parking challenges, health and safety issues, added responsibilities and difficulties imposed on first responders, impact on peace and tranquility- especially in residential neighborhoods and for tourists and factors potentially impacting adversely on the character of the City of Isle of Palms.

Because the reception is during January, there will be NO negative impacts but only positive economic impacts during a time when it is sorely needed.

#### E. Marketing Plan

Describe fully your past three years marketing for your project/event, as well as your current year's advertising and marketing plan, to include all means of broadcast. Please include and attach all applicable documentation and the projected costs involved.

YWCAGC utilizes its network of hundreds of members and volunteers along with nearly 4,000 social media followers and e-blast registrants, to promote new initiatives and funding partners. In the last 3 years the MLK tribute's media exposure has grown from 3-5 media appearances to 7 in 2023 including local networks, print, and radio. In the last three years our engagement through Facebook increased by 27%, Twitter by 16%, Instagram by 231%, and our website traffic increased by 14%.

	<b>nding</b> : Sources of Income for This Project/Event (Please attach all supporting ments)
1. Spo	onsorships or Fundraising: Amount \$43,500 From Wild Dunes Resort and
<u>CVB</u>	<u> </u>
2.	Entry Fees : Amount \$0 From
3.	Donations: Amount \$0 From

- 4. Accommodations Tax Funds Request: Amount \$\frac{\$10,000}{}\$
  Date(s) Required: \$\frac{1/1/2024}{}\$ Lump Sum \$\frac{\text{YES}}{}\$ Installments
- 5. Other:
- 6. Total Funding: **\$43500** *Total* Budget: **\$53500**

#### G. Financial Analysis

Please Provide a Line Item Budget for your project/event If awarded, Isle of Palms ATAX funds are requested as follows:

Marketing/Communications - \$3,000

Photography/AV - \$2,500

Administrative oversight (logistics, reminders, event coordination) - \$2,000

Branded collateral - \$1,500

<u>Invitations/mailing - \$1,000</u>

(1) Lump Sum(s): \$ <u>10,000</u>	on <u>1/1/2024</u> (date), \$	on
(date),	\$ on	(date).

(2) Payment of Invoices as submitted to City Staff. Invoices should be submitted at least two weeks prior to due date.

#### H. Miscellaneous

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- Festival	
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- Marketing .
- Other \_(Please Explain): <u>Celebration for a very worthy cause</u>
- 2. Have you affirmatively reached out to the City of Isle of Palms staff for initial review for your project/event and if not, please explain. If you have reached out, what feedback did you receive, both positive and negative and specifically from whom?

  IOP City Council has voted to host the VIP Reception, indicating their support of the event.
- 3. If applicable, explain why you have not sought funding from sources other than the City of Isle of Palms for the funding of your project/event. If you have sought alternate or additional funding, explain fully the results to include the source(s) for funding, from whom received and set forth all amounts received or expected to be received from other sources.

  We have received donations from Wild Dunes Resort (event space), CVB (food and beverage), a local artist (centerpieces), and a local band (TBD).
- 4. Does your project/event have applicable liability insurance, to include the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents and if so, what are the liability limits? If not, please explain why not and explain who will agree to bear the costs, burdens, damages and legal fees for your project/event in case claims for damages are made against the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents as a result of your project/event. A minimum of \$300,000 of liability insurance is typically required unless that requirement is specifically waived in writing by the City of Isle of Palms in its sole discretion. If there is applicable insurance, do you commit to making the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents additional insured(s)? If not, explain fully the basis. If applicable, you must include a copy of the relevant insurance policy reflecting the City of Isle of Palms, its employees and agents are additional insured(s) for your project/event.

YES			

5. Do you assert that the project/event for which you seek City of Isle of Palms ATAX funding is sustainable in the future? If so, please explain fully. If not, please explain fully.

With the willing support received this year as an example, we anticipate that

With the willing support received this year as an example, we anticipate that the event should be sustainable in the future, but we would always welcome ATAX support too.

- 6. In the event City of Isle of Palms grants your project/event ATAX grant funding, do you acknowledge that no such funds can be spent for the purchase of alcohol or tobacco products? <u>YES</u> If not, please explain your justification.
- 7. In the event your project/event is awarded City of Isle of Palms ATAX grant funding, but is postponed for more than 180 days of receipt of funding, do you acknowledge that you must return to the City of Isle of Palms all ATAX grant money received from Isle of Palms absent extraordinary circumstances and within the sole discretion of the City of Isle of Palms? Do you agree? <u>YES</u> If you do not agree, please set forth fully your reasons.
- 9. In the event the City of Isle of Palms provides ATAX grant funding for your event/project, set forth in detail how you will acknowledge the City of Isle of Palms as a grantor of funding.

YWCA GC consistently promotes its events, and sponsors on social media, newsletters, all media outlets and at our events. YWCAGC also announces events and sponsors via press releases to gain local news outlets support and stories. If awarded and if approved YWCAGC director of communications will work with IOP staff to develop and robust announcement of the funding and partnership.



# Planning Commission Meeting 4:30pm, Wednesday, November 8, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to Order

Present: Sue Nagelski, Ron Denton, David Cohen, Sandy Stone, Tim Ahmuty,

Jeffrey Rubin (arrived at 5:10pm), Marty Brown

Staff present: Director Kerr, Zoning Administrator Simms

#### 2. Approval of minutes

Ms. Nagelski made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2023 regular meeting. Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. **New Business**

#### A. Discussion and recommendation of noise ordinance

Director Kerr referenced the changes made to the draft ordinance since the October meeting. Mr. Cohen suggested another change to clarify a previously removed section to account for sounds related to music and speech during daytime hours.

The ordinance currently suggests decibel levels at 75 decibels in the commercial districts and 70 decibels in residential districts during the day, 85 decibels in GC-2 during daytime hours, and 55 decibels across the island during nighttime hours.

Discussion ensued as to where in the ordinance it should be noted that GC-2 is exempt from 75 decibels during daytime hours. Changing the start of daytime hours to 8am was briefly discussed, but it was agreed that no change would be made to the start of daytime hours.

MOTION: Mr. Stone made a motion to recommend the draft noise ordinance as amended to City Council for consideration. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion.

Director Kerr summarized the changes from today's discussion: "The two amendments today are increasing C.3. from 85 to 90 and then adding a C.5. that explains that all of the numbers above need to be reduced by 5 decibels" primarily for sounds consisting of speech or music.

Mr. Cohen noted that nighttime noise does not apply to HVAC equipment. He suggested wording for section C.4.: "shall not apply to HVAC equipment installed prior to the effective date of this ordinance."

# **VOTE:** The motion passed unanimously.

# B. Discussion of stormwater recommendations from drainage masterplan

Director Kerr read each stormwater recommendation and explained how each would be applied if approved. Commissioners agreed the first three recommendations are appropriate. They would like to see recommendations 4 and 5 combined and thresholds added that would trigger an engineering plan requirement. Director Kerr said the recommendations will be put into draft ordinance format for the next meeting for further consideration.

#### 4. Old Business

## Comprehensive Plan review updated draft

Director Kerr thanked Ms. Nagelski for her continued work on the Priority Investment section of the Comprehensive Plan. She noted the difficulty in tying funding sources to each project. Further discussion of this element will take place at the December meeting.

## 5. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 4:30pm.

Mr. Stone made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk



#### ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# 11:00am, Wednesday, November 8, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to order

**Present**: Chas Akers, Doug Truslow, Ray Burns, Barb Bergwerf, Rebecca

Kovalich, Chrissy Lorenz, Gloria Clarke

**Staff Present**: Administrator Fragoso, Treasurer Hamilton

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes – October 5, 2023

Ms. Bergwerf made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2023 meeting, and Mr. Burns seconded the motion.

Mr. Akers asked the word "not" be added to a sentence at the top of the third page regarding the consideration of Chamber of Commerce's funding application.

A vote was taken with all in favor of the minutes as amended.

#### 3. Financial Statements

Treasurer Hamilton reported that the fund balance as of 9/30/23 is \$4 million, which is a \$1.3 million increase over last year. A \$12,000 grant for body armor and \$53,000 in interest income have been received into FY24. She reviewed the expenditures to date.

She also reported that she has received all the required information from the CVB she needs to complete the TERC report this week.

Treasurer Hamilton confirmed that the balance of sponsorship funds is \$35,000.

- 4. Old Business -- none
- 5. New Business
- A. Approval of FY23 over budget expenditures

MOTION: Ms. Bergwerf made a motion to approve the \$338 overage for the irrigation at Breach Inlet message board and the \$3,439 overage for the Public Works F-150 replacement truck. Ms. Lorenz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# B. Presentations of new applications for second round funding for accommodations tax funds in FY24

# i. Author's Event by Mary Alice Monroe

Mary Alice Monroe came before the Committee to request \$20,000 to help fund further advertising and messaging to expand the author's event and literacy fundraiser she will host in Wild Dunes in January 2024. She shared a video showcasing the 2023 event.

Ms. Monroe explained how the event is promoted online and through social media as well as the offerings for the 2024 event. She and her staff will provide City staff with further information about their room night breakdown provided with their application.

Mr. Truslow would like to see Ms. Monroe have her 501(C)(3) application in place before awarding any funding. Administrator Fragoso said the funding could be approved contingent upon confirmation of their 501(C)(3) status. She also noted that having a 501(C)(3) is not a requirement of the State ATAX law but only a guideline set up by the ATAX Committee.

# ii. Dave Landeo and Ben Bounds – Songwriters' Festival

Dave Landeo and Ben Bounds explained their vision to create a songwriters' festival on the Isle of Palms. Mr. Landeo held a small version of the event at The Dinghy earlier this year and would like to expand it beyond their parking lot. Mr. Bounds shared his extensive experience in organizing and promoting events on Folly Beach and more recently in Columbia. They would like to begin promoting a February 2024 event.

Committee members expressed concern about funding an event that has no historical data to show its impact on the Isle of Palms. Administrator Fragoso stated there would not be enough time before February to prepare City resources for a sizable February event. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Landeo and Mr. Bounds will reapply for funding for FY25.

#### iii. LaVanda Brown – YWCA of Greater Charleston MLK Event

LaVanda Brown of the YWCA of Greater Charleston came before the Committee requesting \$10,000 for a sponsor/donor event to be held in Wild Dunes as part of a larger celebration honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. in January 2024. Administrator Fragoso stated that Ms. Brown had brought this event before City Council a few months ago. She said City Council embraced the idea of the event and suggested Ms. Brown come before ATAX to request funding.

Committee members expressed concern about this event also not having historical data to show that the attendees stay on the Isle of Palms and that they come from outside of the 50-mile tourism radius. Ms. Brown shared some names of those companies whose representatives would be invited and added that speakers are coming from all over the state. The current estimate for the event is 180 people.

Committee members expressed concern about putting ATAX funds towards an invitation-only event.

Administrator Fragoso explained to the Committee that the "heads in beds" is not in the State ATAX law and only a guideline created by the ATAX Committee to consider when discussing an application for funding.

# iv. IOP VFW Post Request - Window replacement

George Page of the IOP VFW thanked the Committee for the support of previous projects. He explained the request of \$2500 that will go towards the \$5200 cost of replacing the windows that overlook the beach. He provided many details on the volume of visitors the VFW hosts each year.

Ms. Bergwerf said she believes the cost of maintaining the building should be a concern of the post. Mr. Page explained that their golf tournament fundraiser does not generate as much income as it has in the past.

Mr. Burns later added that using ATAX funds to help repair the walkway and elevator at the VFW Post made sense, but he believes the window replacement should be at their expense.

MOTION: Mr. Truslow made a motion to recommend to City Council an award of \$20,000 to Mary Alice Monroe's writer's workshop contingent upon her organization securing its 501(C)(3) status. Ms. Bergwerf seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Ms. Clarke made a motion to recommend to City Council an award of \$10,000 to the YWCA Sponsor/Donor Dinner at Wild Dunes. Mr. Akers seconded the motion.

MOTION: Ms. Bergwerf made a motion to amend the award amount to \$5,000. Mr. Akers seconded the motion.

Committee members continued to discuss their concerns about the lack of historical success data for this event as well as its exclusivity. Ms. Clarke noted that the event will bring people to the island in January and may result in less than 30 rooms being rented. Ms. Lorenz said she would like to offer a lower amount towards a new event that brings people to the island.

MOTION: Ms. Lorenz made a motion to amend the award amount to \$2,500. Ms. Bergwerf seconded the motion. The motion to amend was passed unanimously.

**VOTE:** The vote on the motion as amended was as follows:

Ayes: Lorenz, Akers, Bergwerf, Clarke

Nays: Kovalich, Truslow, Burns

The motion passed 4-3.

# 6. Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting of the ATAX Committee will be Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 11am to review the applications for FY25 funding.

Ms. Kovalich asked for the State ATAX law and the ATAX Committee guidelines to be sent to her for review.

# 7. **Adjournment**

Mr. Truslow made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Bergwerf seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk



#### ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4:00pm, Thursday, November 9, 2023 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

and broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

# **MINUTES**

#### 1. Call to order

Present: Deb Faires (via phone), Doug Hatler, Mary Pringle, Linda Plunkett,

Jordan Burrell, Jonathan Knoche, Belvin Olasov, Council Member

Bogosian

Absent: Sandra Brotherton

Staff Present: Director Kerr, Zoning Administrator Simms, Council Member Bogosian

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes

MOTION: Mr. Hatler made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2023 meeting, and Ms. Pringle seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

- 3. Citizen's Comments -- none
- 4. **Presentations**

## A. Charlene Johnson – Native Plants for the People

Charlene Johnson of Native Plants for the People gave a presentation on the importance of native plants, the stages of planting a demonstration garden at the Water & Sewer Commission's lot at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Palm Boulevard, and possible topics to present to residents in the spring.

After a lengthy discussion about the parameters and other locations for the demonstration garden, it was decided that Ms. Johnson will prepare a proposal for a 20' x 20' garden with impactful yet beneficial plantings. Her proposal will include options for the garden to be at the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Palm Boulevard site and the Carmen R. Bunch Park. Ms. Johnson said the classes she proposes to give at the Recreation Center in the spring may generate volunteers who will want to help with the demonstration garden.

# B. Chris Fisher – Fisher Recycling

Chris Fisher of Fisher Recycling said they have been taking over 1000 pounds of glass from the island each week during the first year of the program. He would like to put more bins at each location and would like the City to consider another location towards the south end of the island for recycling. He will work with the City's PR Officer to further educate the public about the

recycling program. Dr. Plunkett said it is important that residents know the County does not actually recycle the glass and understand what Fisher Recycling does with the glass they pick up.

MOTION: Mr. Hatler made a motion to recommend to City Council the renewal of the contract with Fisher Recycling in the amount of \$9,600. Dr. Knoche seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Kerr will work directly with Mr. Fisher about finding a suitable third location for recycling bins. Mr. Fisher will add more bins to the current site at the next pickup.

#### 4. Old Business

## A. Wildlife – no further update

## B. Litter

Director Kerr reported that Asst. Director Asero has added the emptying of the cannisters into his workflow for the winter. He said it may be a challenge in the summer. Ms. Burrell said she has sent information to her schoolmates about the City's need for volunteers to help with emptying the cannisters in the summer. Director Kerr said specific dates to clean out the cannisters can be provided for students interested in volunteering.

# C. Water Quality

Mr. Hatler shared a proposal for water quality testing at 13 outfalls around the island. Discussion ensued as to the cost of the testing and ways in which it could be reduced. Mr. Hatler will work with GEL Laboratories on a refined proposal based on the discussion and bring it back to the December meeting. Committee members would like to make a presentation to City Council about the importance of testing the water quality.

## D. Climate Action

Director Kerr reported the City has entered into an agreement with a design-build team about renovating City Hall. He said the agreement includes analysis of energy efficiencies and basic environmental controls into the renovation.

Mr. Olasov shared information about converting the City's fleet to EV. Director Kerr said the staff has already been working closely with County staff to learn more about their efforts to see how it might benefit the City. Council Member Bogosian said he would like more information about the economic benefits of transitioning to EV.

# E. Update on Sea Level Rise Adaptation RFP

Director Kerr said there has been no change to this project since the last meeting.

#### 5. New Business – none

## 6. Miscellaneous Business

Dr. Plunkett would like to add a discussion about the South Carolina Clean Marina program to the December agenda. Mr. Hatler would like to discuss communications with City Council at the next meeting.

# 7. **Adjournment**

The next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 4pm.

Ms. Burrell made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Pringle seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk

#### **ORDINANCE 2023-12**

AN ORDINANCE **AMENDING** TITLE 1. **GOVERNMENT AND** ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 3, PROCEDURES, COMMITTEES, ORDINANCES AND USE OF CODE, ARTICLE B, STANDING COMMITTEES, OF THE CITY OF OF **ORDINANCES** TO **ISLE** OF **PALMS** CODE **TEMPORARILY** AMEND STANDING COMMITTEES FROM JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN CITY COUNCIL ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. That Section 1-3-36, "Committee meetings," Paragraph (a), "Regular meetings," is hereby temporarily amended as follows from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

## Sec. 1-3-31 Membership; appointment; responsibilities:

- A. All committees shall consist of three (3) members selected from the Mayor and Council. Workshop meetings shall consist of the Mayor and the other Councilmembers.
- B. All Councilmembers shall be appointed to at least one (1) committee and shall serve on such committee, unless the Councilmember refuses such appointment. If a Councilmember refuses such appointment, then the Councilmember shall have no right to require appointment to a different committee.
- C. Standing committees shall meet as needed or when assigned a specific task by City Council.
- D. The standing committees and their respective areas of responsibility are as follows:
- 1. **Administration Committee** The Administration Committee, which shall consist of three (3) members. The Committee's duties are to:
  - a. Assist the City Administrator, if requested, in the preparation of budget estimates for costs related to personnel management; and
  - b. Review personnel management policies, wage scales, and benefits regarding all City employees and make recommendations to City Council as appropriate; and
  - c. Assist the City Administrator in the annual employee evaluation process by:
    - Reviewing and recommending to City Council approval of Employee Performance Evaluation methods developed by the City Administrator and department managers; and

- ii. Developing and recommending to City Council approval of the method of the City Administrator's annual performance evaluation; and
- iii. Preparing summary data regarding the results of the annual employee performance evaluation and recommending to City Council any proposed revisions regarding personnel; and
- d. Serve as the hiring committee to fill a vacancy in the City Administrator position. The Chairman of the Personnel Committee shall serve as Chairman of the Hiring Committee; and
- e. If requested, assist City Council in screening, interviewing and recommending candidates for appointments to boards and commissions of the City; and
- f. If requested, assist City Council in screening, interviewing, and recommending candidates for appointment of City Attorney; and
- g. If requested, assist in the development of public information and programs aimed at enhancing citizen engagement; and
- h. Investigate and report to City Council regarding any petitions and other matters referred to it by City Council.
- 2. **Public Safety Committee** The Public Safety Committee, which shall consist of three (3) members. The Committee's duties are to:
  - a. If requested, assist the City Administrator in the preparation of the annual expense budget for the Police and Fire Departments; and
  - b. Review policies and procedures regarding the Police and Fire Departments and make recommendations as appropriate; and
  - c. Review policies and procedures related to traffic and transportation infrastructure, emergency management and code compliance; and
  - d. Examine into and report upon all petitions referred to them by the Mayor and Council.
- 3. **Public Facilities and Services** The Public Facilities and Services Committee, which shall consist of three (3) members. The Committee's duties are to:
  - a. If requested, assist the City Administrator in the preparation of the annual expense budget for the Public Works and Recreation Department and for the operation and maintenance of the real property owned, leased or controlled by the City and make recommendations to City Council; and
  - b. Review policies and procedures regarding the Public Works Department, including sanitation services, garbage and debris collection, stormwater management, environmental, energy and resource conservation programs and make recommendations as appropriate; and
  - c. Review policies and procedure regarding Recreation Department related to recreational facilities, activities and programs and make recommendations as appropriate; and

- d. Review requests for streetlights and periodically review the street lighting system within the City; and
- e. Work to provide recreational opportunities for all citizens and report to City Council on the condition of the recreation center and the activities of the Recreation Department; and
- f. Review policies and procedures regarding the use and maintenance of all real property owned, leased or controlled by the City and make recommendations to City Council as appropriate; and
- g. Monitor and review all existing or proposed leases of real property owned or to be leased by the City; and
- h. Examine and report upon all petitions and other matters referred to it by the Mayor and City Council.

SECTION 2. That should any part of this Ordinance be held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts shall be severable therefrom and shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same affect this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance take effect and be in full force immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY TI ISLE OF PALMS, ON THE DAY C	THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF OF, 2024.
Phillip Pounds, Mayor	
(Seal) Attest:	
Nicole DeNeane, City Clerk First Reading:	_
Public Hearing:	
Second Reading:	
Ratification:	

## City of Isle of Palms, South Carolina

Resolution No.: R-2023-10

Authorizing Consumption of beer and wine only and amplified music at

The Holiday Street Festival on December 2, 2023

WHEREAS, the City of Isle of Palms Recreation Department is hosting the 2023 Holiday Street Festival on Saturday, December 2, 2023 on Ocean Blvd between 10th Ave and Pavilion Dr and in Municipal Lot A; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Isle of Palms Recreation Department is requesting permission for the temporary closing and use of Municipal Lot A from 6:00 p.m. on November 30, 2023 for carnival equipment setup and 8 pm on December 2, 2023 and the temporary closing and use of Ocean Blvd between 10<sup>th</sup> Ave and Pavilion Dr on December 2, 2023 from 6:00 am and 10:00 p.m. for set up, clean up, and staging of the event to be held on Saturday December 2, 2023 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; for patrons to consume beer and wine beverages only at the event during the hours of 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and for crowd control; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that such an event would be in the public interest; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, that possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages is authorized on Ocean Blvd between 10th Ave and Pavilion Dr and in Municipal Lot A between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2023, the closure of event spaces and the use of amplified music is authorized on Ocean Blvd between 10th Ave and Pavilion Dr between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2023 and the closure of Municipal Lot A between 6:00 pm on November 30, 2023 and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 2, 2023; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that possession and consumption of alcoholic liquors or alcoholic Beverages other than beer and/or wine beverages within the event area is prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that outdoor possession and consumption of beer and wine beverages only, all outdoor musical performances and use of sound-amplifying devices shall end by 7:00 p.m. due to the proximity of the event to residential properties; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all vendors be restricted to stationary location; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that only pedestrian traffic will be allowed in the area. All other traffic including, but not limited to, Automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, mopeds, bicycles, skateboards, golf carts, LSVs, except police and fire LSVs, is prohibited; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the designated times the closed portion of Ocean Blvd is deemed to be the site of a public festival at which only beer and wine beverages may be consumed and the prohibition against possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages set forth

beverages only.	s to the possession and consumption of beer and/or wine
City Administrator	Mayor
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	

# A RESOLUTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED 2023-2024 CHARLESTON REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION AND PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION PLAN BY ISLE OF PALMS CITY COUNCIL

#### Resolution No. 2023-07

- **WHEREAS** the City of Isle of Palms has experienced the effects of natural and man-made hazard events; and
- **WHEREAS** the Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Public Information Plan Committee has prepared a recommended *Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Program for Public Information Plan*; and
- WHEREAS the recommended Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Program for Public Information Plan has been widely circulated for review by residents / business organizations / professional organizations of the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Charleston County, state, federal, regional, and local government agencies and has been supported by those reviewers; and
- **WHEREAS** the City of Isle of Palms originally adopted the *Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan* in 1999 and readopted it in 2004, 2008, 2013, and 2017, and is required to adopt the amended version of this plan on a five-year cycle for the City to remain eligible for certain Federal programs in which City of Isle of Palms participates; and

#### **NOW THEREFORE** be it resolved that:

The Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Program for Public Information Plan and all required future revisions from the South Carolina Emergency Management Division and the Federal Emergency Management Agency is hereby adopted as an official plan of the City of Isle of Palms. While content related to the City of Isle of Palms may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require the City of Isle of Palms to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan; and

The Charleston Regional Hazard Mitigation and Public Information Plan Committee is recognized as a continuing entity charged with reviewing, maintaining in accordance with Community Rating System, Flood Mitigation Assistance, Disaster Mitigation Act and Program for Public Information requirements, and periodically reporting on the progress towards and revisions to the plan to the Isle of Palms City Council.

City Administrator	Mayor	Mayor		
ATTEST:				
City Clerk	Effective this	Day of	. 2023	