



City Council

6:00pm, Tuesday, March 24, 2026

City Hall

Council Chambers

1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

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 nicoled@iop.net 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

1. **Call to Order** 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. **Presentations** – Beach renourishment bid results, Steven Traynum, CSE (p3)
3. **Citizens' Comments** – Citizens must state their name and address. All comments will have a time limit of three (3) minutes.
4. **Approval of previous meetings' minutes**
 - a. City Council Meeting– February 24, 2026 (p6)
 - b. Special City Council Meeting– March 10, 2026 (p56)
 - c. Special City Council Meeting– Budget Workshop– March 11, 2026 (p61)
 - d. Citizens' Comments (p67)
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Discussion of Town Hall format
 - b. Update on USACE beach project/beach cleanup
 - c. Update on WDCA escrow agreement
 - d. Update on easement acquisition (p72)
 - e. Discussion and consideration of marina dredging project (p77)
 - f. Update and consideration of funding and implementation options for wage adjustments (p79)
6. **New Business**
 - a. Discussion of extending CARTA Beach Reach shuttle project (p80)
 - b. Consideration of purchase 1100 Toter garbage cans, Amick– \$73,959.77 (FY26 Budget, \$100,000 General Fund) (p82)
 - c. Discussion and consideration of surf instructors and locations
 - i. IOP Surf Lessons– 26th Avenue (p83)
 - ii. Salt Marsh Surf– 21st Avenue (p89)
 - iii. Share the Stoke– 34th Avenue (34A) (p95)



iv. Sol Surfers Surf Camp– 27th Avenue (p101)

7. Boards and Commissions Report

- a. Council Committee reports (p109)
- b. Board of Zoning Appeals– no meeting in March
- c. Planning Commission– minutes attached (p119)
- d. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee– minutes attached (p120)
- e. Environmental Advisory Committee– minutes attached (p123)
- f. Beach Preservation Committee– minutes attached (p126)

8. Ordinances, Resolutions and Petitions

- a. **Second Reading**
 - i. Ordinance 2026-01– an ordinance creating a standing Ways and Means Committee (p130)
 - ii. Ordinance 2026-03– an ordinance to establish decibel limits in the noise ordinance (p140)
- b. **First Reading-** none
- c. **Resolutions and Proclamations** - Proclamation 2026-01– Arbor Day (p145)

9. Executive Session

Pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70(a)(1), to discuss the 2025 annual performance review of the City Administrator and an associated merit increase. Upon returning to open session, the Council may vote on any matter related to Executive Session.

10. Adjournment

Isle of Palms Beach Nourishment						
Bid Tabulation						
March 18, 2026 - 2pm						
	Bid Item Description	Bidder 1	Bidder 2	Bidder 3	Bidder 4	Bidder 5
Bidder Name		Weeks Marine Inc	Callan Marine LTD	Marinex Construction	Norfolk Dredging	Great Lakes Dredge and Dock Co
Bid Item A1	Mobilization - Base Bid	\$ 9,750,000.00	\$ 11,245,000.00	\$ 1,900,000.00	\$ 3,380,000.00	\$ 7,100,000.00
Bid Item A2	Base Bid - 1.6 Million cy	\$ 20,400,000.00	\$ 21,370,000.00	\$ 12,800,000.00	\$ 15,640,000.00	\$ 13,600,000.00
Bid Item A3	Total A1+A2	\$ 30,150,000.00	\$ 32,615,000.00	\$ 14,700,000.00	\$ 19,020,000.00	\$ 20,700,000.00
Bid Item B1	Deduct Reach 3	\$ 5,000,000.00	\$ 4,500,000.00	\$ 2,400,000.00	\$ 4,360,000.00	\$ 3,200,000.00
Bid Item C1	Alt Unit Price Reach 1	\$ 12.25	\$ 11.25	\$ 7.52	\$ 8.85	\$ 5.75
Bid Item C2	Alt Unit Price Reach 2	\$ 12.25	\$ 11.25	\$ 7.52	\$ 8.85	\$ 5.75
Bid Item C3	Alt Unit Price Reach 3	\$ 12.25	\$ 11.25	\$ 7.52	\$ 7.40	\$ 5.75
Bid Item C4	Tilling	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
Bid Item C5	Total C1-C4	\$ 11,075,000.00	\$ 10,375,000.00	\$ 6,770,000.00	\$ 7,535,000.00	\$ 5,295,000.00
Total Bid Price	A3+C5	\$ 41,225,000.00	\$ 42,990,000.00	\$ 21,470,000.00	\$ 26,555,000.00	\$ 25,995,000.00
Standby Time	Per Day	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 158,930.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 215,000.00

3.02 *Lump Sum Bids*

A. Bidder will complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents for the following lump sum (stipulated) price(s), together with any Unit Prices indicated in Paragraph 3.03:

1. **Bid A - Reaches 1, 2 and 3** Lump Sum Price (Base Bid). Lump Sum Price for dredging and placement as specified by state and federal permits of 1,600,000 cubic yards of sand along 19,200 lf of shoreline along the Reach 1 and Reach 2 areas (Stations 222+00 to 328+00) and Reach 3 (Stations 0+00 to 86+00) as identified on the project plans. Work to be completed by December 31, 2026.

A1 - Mobilization and Demobilization Lump Sum Price – Reaches 1, 2 & 3	\$
A2 - Dredging and Placement Lump Sum Price for Base Bid (Reach 1, 2 & 3 - 1,600,000 cy)	\$
A3 - Total Reach 1, 2 & 3 Lump Sum Price for Base Bid (A1+A2)	\$

2. Alternate (DEDUCT) Lump Sum Price. Bidder shall provide a price adjustment to eliminate mobilization and sand placement along Reach 3. This Alternate eliminates 400,000 cy of placement quantity from the Base Bid A. Price should indicate a value to DEDUCT from A3 for a project that only includes placement along Reaches 1 and 2 (1,200,000 cy). B1 should be a positive value. Under this Alternate, the new Base Bid Price will be A3-B1. The Apparent Low Bidder will be based on Bid Prices for A3.

B1 – DEDUCT – Eliminate mobilization and placement along Reach 3	\$
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3.03 *Unit Price Bids*

A. Bidder will perform the following Work at the indicated unit prices:

Item No.	Description	Unit	Maximum Quantity	Bid Unit Price	Bid Amount
C1	Placement of additional sand up to 300,000 cy along the Reach 1	Cy	300,000	\$	\$
C2	Placement of additional sand up to 200,000 cy along the Reach 2 placement area	Cy	200,000	\$	\$
C3	Placement of additional sand up to 400,000 cy along the Reach 3 placement area (only applies to Bid A)	Cy	400,000	\$	\$
C4	Tilling of all fill areas (19,200 lf)	Lump Sum	1		\$
C5 - Total of All Unit Price Bid Items (C1+C2+C3+C4)					\$

B. Bidder acknowledges that:

1. Each Bid Unit Price includes an amount considered by Bidder to be adequate to cover Contractor’s overhead and profit for each separately identified item, and

2. Estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and are solely for the purpose of comparison of Bids, and final payment for all Unit Price Work will be based on actual quantities, determined as provided in the Contract Documents.

3.04 *Total Bid Price (Lump Sum and Unit Prices)*

Total Bid Price (Total of all Lump Sum and Unit Price Bids A3+C5)	\$
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3.05 *Standby Time*

If the permitting agencies require suspension of dredging, then the Owner will grant both time extension and compensation for up to five (5) days. For such suspension of at least one day, bid the following delay costs. Suspensions of parts of a day will be pro-rated. The cost below is the total cost of suspending the Contractor’s operations, regardless of the number of dredges he chooses to use.

A. Suspension Cost (\$/day): \$ _____

ARTICLE 4—TIME OF COMPLETION

4.01 Bidder agrees that the Work will be substantially complete on or before December 15, 2026, and will be completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions on or before December 31, 2026.

4.02 Bidder accepts the provisions of the Agreement as to liquidated damages.

ARTICLE 5—BIDDER’S ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: ACCEPTANCE PERIOD, INSTRUCTIONS, AND RECEIPT OF ADDENDA

5.01 *Bid Acceptance Period*

A. This Bid will remain subject to acceptance for 60 days after the Bid opening, or for such longer period of time that Bidder may agree to in writing upon request of Owner.

5.02 *Instructions to Bidders*

A. Bidder accepts all of the terms and conditions of the Instructions to Bidders, including without limitation those dealing with the disposition of Bid security.

5.03 *Receipt of Addenda*

A. Bidder hereby acknowledges receipt of the following Addenda:

Addendum Number	Addendum Date



City Council

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 24, 2026
City Hall Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Bogosian, Cohen, Carroll, Streetman, Miller, Ward, Miars, Pierce, Mayor Pounds

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, City Attorney McQuillin, various department heads

2. Citizen's Comments

Renee Reddy, Ocean Boulevard, said she is representing several homeowners in that same area. She spoke with concern about the USACE project, stating it has damaged the beach. She would like that project to stop pumping sand immediately. She also would like the City to bring in Foth/Olsen to oversee the USACE and upcoming beach renourishment projects. She believes it is negligent for the City to continue with the USACE project.

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to allow another speaker for Citizen's Comments. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Cherylee Vanderham, Ocean Boulevard, asked that City Council bring in Foth/Olsen to determine the proper amount of sand needed for the renourishment of the south end of the island. She does not want another renourishment done by CS&E.

3. Presentations – Spirit of the Island Award

Mayor Pounds read from Mr. Jimmy Carroll's letter nominating Dudley Spangler for the Spirit of the Island Award. Chief Oliverius read a tribute to Mr. Spangler on behalf of the Public Safety departments. These awards were presented to Mrs. Spangler and her family.

4. Approval of previous meetings' minutes

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian and Council Member Miller seconded the motion.

- A. City Council Meeting – January 29, 2026
- B. Special City Council Meeting – February 10, 2026
- C. Special City Council Meeting-Bid Appeal – February 10, 2026

Council Member Pierce noted a date error in the February 10 Special City Council meeting.

VOTE: The minutes were approved as amended.

5. Old Business

A. Discussion and consideration of beach renourishment

Given the technical complexity and significance of the beach renourishment discussion, a verbatim transcript has been appended to these minutes in lieu of a narrative summary to ensure the complete record is preserved.

B. Update and discussion of the wage and compensation study

Administrator Kerr said wage and compensation study is still with the Administration Committee. Evergreen will be at the Administration Committee's March meeting and will also attend City Council's meeting on March 10.

C. Discussion and consideration of Beach Preservation Ad Hoc Committee recommendations

Mayor Pounds noted that the recommendations in yellow are the ones still needing City Council direction. He suggested waiting until Foth/Olsen presents their report to make further decisions.

Administrator Kerr said the Beach Preservation Committee has not yet discussed these. He briefly reviewed those still needing direction from Council.

D. Discussion of upcoming Town Hall Meeting – March 26, 2026

City Council discussed possible formats for the upcoming Town Hall meeting on March 26, 2026 at the Recreation Center. Mayor Pounds asked Council members to forward names of possible moderators to Administrator Kerr.

6. New Business

A. Discussion and consideration of bid appeal order

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

B. Discussion and consideration of appointing a Council liaison to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee

Mayor Pounds said it was not intended for all committees to have a City Council liaison. Council Member Ward said the ATAX Committee should be independent and free of City Council influence.

Council Member Miller said the liaison could answer questions as needed and act as a resource for the Committee.

City Attorney McMillin said there is no conflict having a City Council member act as a liaison and adding a liaison is a policy decision.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to create a City Council liaison for the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. A vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Miller, Cohen, Miars, Bogosian, Pierce
Nays: Ward, Streetman, Carroll, Pounds

The motion passed 5-4.

MOTION: Council Member Millar made a motion to appoint Council Member Cohen as Council liaison to the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Discussion and consideration of acceptance of a patrol vehicle donation

Administrator Kerr said a resident would like to donate a Tesla to the Police Department. There will be upfitting expenses should City Council approve the donation. The owner has been asked to prepare a letter of intent to donate.

Chief Cornett said the vehicle will serve administrative staff, like a detective or command staff, “and that would cycle that patrol vehicle to a patrol officer or to another individuals to offset the purchase next year.” A charging plug for the vehicle is already available at the Public Safety Building.

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

D. Discussion and consideration of changes to tuition reimbursement policy

MOTION: Council Member Ward made a motion to approve. Council Member Streetman seconded the motion.

Administrator Kerr said these changes will dial back a generous tuition reimbursement policy. The savings can be redirected to other employee benefits or incentives. Additionally, the changes will allow the City to recoup expenses should an employee leave the City’s employ prior to the required stay after completion of classes.

VOTE: A vote was taken with all in favor.

E. Discussion and consideration of the purchase of turnout gear for \$29,707.87 from Safe Industries

Administrator Kerr said there will be additional purchases made from this line item in the future.

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

9. Committees, Boards, and Commissions Reports

A. Council Committees – Chair reports and minutes attached

Chair reports were skipped due to the late hour.

B. Board of Zoning Appeals – minutes attached

C. Planning Commission – minutes attached

D. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee – No meeting in February

E. Environmental Advisory Committee – minutes attached

F. Beach Preservation Committee – minutes attached

10. Ordinance, Resolutions, and Petitions

a. Second Reading -- none

b. First Reading

- i. **Ordinance 2026-01** – an ordinance creating a standing Ways and Means Committee

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

- ii. **Ordinance 2026-02** – an ordinance to regulate residential lighting

MOTION: Council Member Miars made a motion to approve, and Council Member Cohen seconded the motion.

MOTION: Council Member Ward made a motion to suspend the rules of order to allow for discussion at First Reading. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Ward asked if this ordinance prohibits accent or decorative lighting in trees on private property. City Attorney McMillin said this new section only applies to lighting on residential buildings, not landscape lighting.

Council Member Miars said the intent of the ordinance is to prevent spotlights and excessive lighting.

Administrator Kerr said the intent of the ordinance is to “not have lighting shine onto your neighbors or shine onto natural areas like the woods. There were things in there about how many foot candles would equate to not shining, but if you think about it, if your neighbor has a little candle, it’s not shining onto your property. So the key term was that it either shielded or it not shine onto your neighbor or not shine into natural areas. Their intent would be that there would be a more comprehensive document that would be given out with building permits that would provide all the foot candles and lumens and Kelvin ratings and all that kind of super specific stuff as guidance to guide you towards compliance.”

He added that bright security lighting needs to be shielded and pointed downward. It cannot be shining onto another property.

Mayor Pounds said it “feels very HOA-ish to me.”

Council Member Cohen suggested some rewording: “It says on residential structure, and this was the first one to deal mostly with lighting on waterways and the marsh and the docks. And since it says on residential structures, it doesn’t stop anybody from sticking a pole in their yard and putting their flood lights on a pole. So I wanted to suggest kind of rewording of it that outdoor lighting shining directly onto the intercoastal waterway, marsh, or other natural areas outside the owner’s property shall be extinguished when outdoor area is not in active use.”

He added, “Looking through on the second one, and this tied back into it was outdoor lighting on residential properties and in excess of 40 watts or 300 lumens shall be installed so that the lamp

or light emitting element is not visible from adjacent properties.” He said wattage can be easily checked by an inspector during daylight hours.

Discussion ensued as to what Committee should reconsider this ordinance. City Attorney McMillin said, “If you all make changes to the zoning ordinance which were not considered by the Planning Commission, it has got to go back to the Planning Commission and then back for approval under the Comprehensive Planning Act.”

VOTE: A vote was taken on First Reading as follows:

Ayes: Cohen, Miars, Bogosian, Pierce, Miller

Nays: Streetman, Ward, Carroll, Pounds

The motion passed 5-4

MOTION: Council Member Cohen made a motion to remand Ordinance 2026-01 back to the Environmental Advisory Committee for further consideration. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Miars said she would address City Council’s concerns about the lighting ordinance with the Committee.

iii. Ordinance 2026-03 – an ordinance to establish decibel limits in the noise ordinance

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to approve and waive the reading, and Council Member Miars seconded the motion.

MOTION: Council Member Ward made a motion to suspend the rules of order to allow for discussion at First Reading. Mayor Pounds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Regarding the nighttime decibel limit, Council Member Ward asked of the City Attorney: “Are the decibel readings in all the areas, commercial and residential, or just residential is 55 decibels?”

City Attorney McMillin responded, “This applies to any person, entity, or establishment.” He added that establishment includes commercial enterprise.

Council members Ward and Streetman expressed concern that 55 decibels was too low in the evening. Council Member Carroll said the ordinance does not address ambient, environmental, or sustained noise.

Administrator Kerr noted that many of the Front Beach businesses are already adhering to lower noise levels at night, adding that he doesn’t think many noise complaints are filed during these hours.

Council Member Miars said the Police Department needs a noise level to enforce the noise ordinance. Council Member Cohen explained what 55 decibels might sound like in a home and why he supports that nighttime level.

VOTE: A vote was taken as follows:

Ayes: Cohen, Miller, Bogosian, Pierce, Miars

Nays: Streetman, Ward, Carroll, Pounds

The motion passed 5-4.

c. Proclamations and Resolutions

Resolution 2026-01 – to authorize the consumption of beer and wine at the Front Beach Festival on March 7, 2026

MOTION: Council Member Ward made a motion to approve and waive the reading. Council Member Carroll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Executive Session

12. Adjournment

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Carroll seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane

City Clerk

The signatories to this document are all residents or homeowners on the southern beaches of IOP. We very much appreciate the Council exploring all options to restore the beaches on this beautiful island. We understand that for the restoration to proceed, the Council will need easements from all owners impacted by the renourishment. It is our understanding that the owners are ready to co-operate with the City in this effort and provide all easements necessary between the property boundaries as indicated in county records and the setback line as last approved by the General Assembly in 2018. It is the request of the residents that to have a positive outcome for all and secure the approval of all residents on the southern beaches, the City consider the following:

1. Given that the City has tasked Foth Olson to come up with a longer-term strategic plan for a healthy beach, we suggest that Foth Olson be retained to provide a second opinion on the short-term renourishment plan to ensure compliance with the long term plan. As part of this second opinion, Foth Olson should be asked to determine what it would take to replace the dune, so the crest of the dune is at the baseline for ALL homeowners on the southern beaches. This would be consistent with the City not usurping the General Assembly authority in setting the baseline/setback line and inadvertently relocating the baseline without due process and General Assembly approval as called for under state law.
2. Foth Olson should also be asked to give a second opinion on the amount of sand required for the renourishment to have a dry sand beach at all tides seaward of the new dune as called for under state law 48-39-270 (4). This sand calculation should exclude the ACE spoils pumping is not a compatible sand and does not hold on these beaches as seen over the last several months.
3. We believe the city by involving Foth Olson at this stage will provide Foth Olson with a better basis for their recommendations to retain all this renourished sand. We hope that the city recognizes that the Foth Olson recommendations on retaining this sand and building these beaches will be better served by involving Foth Olson on the front end of this project determining how much sand and the placement of the sand that ensures long term viability and compliance with state law.
4. Given that all homeowners are unlikely to give the city easements landward of the setback line, Foth Olson should also calculate the sand to extend the beach paths to the new dune system and allow homeowners to handle any gaps that may exist

on private property between their escarpment and the setback line. Just like every other municipality, homeowners should be allowed to use their own sand or structures to protect their property landward of state setback lines by rescinding the 250-foot ordinance. We believe this ordinance unfairly impedes the ability of homeowners to protect their own land and causes the city to spend taxpayer dollars on private property as well as exposes all taxpayers to unnecessary liability that no other municipality in this state does. This is even more concerning because this ordinance was originally put in place to keep structures from being built on accreted land not to restrict property rights on private property beyond the jurisdiction of the state and beyond any municipality in SC.

Thank you for your consideration. We are willing and able to help secure all necessary easements with the above mentioned assurances from the city.

Signed: Residents of the Southern IOP Beaches.

Ram Reddy
118 Ocean Blvd #23 | 26

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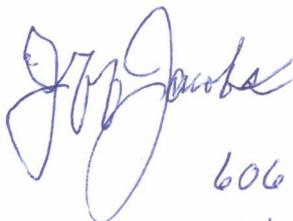
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Ronald Vanderham
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Mayor Pounds: We have multiple topics underneath this particular heading. I do not know that there will be consideration for most or any of these tonight, but at least a discussion. So, first is borrowing versus direct expenditure for this project. In your packet, you have got multiple scenarios. And just to ground everyone real quick on what you are looking at. It is showing fund balances from 2024 out through 2036. And this is on the screen here in the room. So General Fund on the left, Capital Projects fund on top right, Beach Preservation fund bottom left and all our tourism funds on the bottom right. Josh, I'm looking to move it up just a touch to get those bottoms on there. So this first particular page is if we pay cash for the entire project, and you can see how it would affect our fund balances. And again, just let me run through what each one is, and we can come back and touch on each one. The next one is borrowing five million of the total cost and having a millage increase to offset any debt service that would go with that. And Josh, if you go to the next page. It would give you the for a 4% resident. It would give you the millage there per million dollars. For a phrase value, next page is \$5 million without a millage increase. Next is borrowing \$10 million with a millage increase to offset financing costs, and the last page is \$10 million without the millage increase. So, questions, comments, thoughts?

Council Member Bogosian: I just like to maybe have, did Debra do this? Just a couple of questions, maybe come up here. On the assumptions that you used, what funds did you draw down for the debt coverage? Was it just primarily or solely the Beach Preservation fund? Because I noticed in some cases the tourism, Capital funds, their projects change as well.

Director Hamilton: So for the millage, it came from the General Fund, and any debt service is just a net because you would increase taxes to offset the debt. So you have revenue and then you have an expense to offset that debt. For the ones that is not related to millage, it came from the Beach Preservation fund, and as well as some of the other tourism funds.

Council Member Bogosian: So you use both multiple funds to draw down the debt-

Director Hamilton: Yes, yes.

Council Member Bogosian: Also in future years, does this reflect the fact that some bonds are going to mature:

Director Hamiton: Yes.

Council Member Bogosian: And that village is going to come off?

Director Hamilton: That is correct. That is correct. So this actually reflects a lot of things. These schedules currently show part of the beach renourishment taking place in 2026, part of it is taking place in 2027. It show, it captures that the City received a \$1 million grant that is been applied. Also, at that time it ased that the City was receiving, the \$1. 5 million grant that was applied for that has since been awarded. So it asses at least \$2.5 million of grant income. It asses a lease purchase of a fire truck for \$2.5 million. And that debt would be \$312,000 a year. The fire station two GO bond was paid off in January of 2026. Now part of that bond was paid for with increases in taxes. And part of it was paid from the Hospitality fund. So the part that was paid with General Fund that amount comes off. This also includes \$1.8 million for 38th and 41st that is taking place in 2027, Phase 3 of Waterway that is taking place in 2027. That is \$1.6 million. The \$14.8 million that will take place in 2027 for the remaining part of the beach that does not happen in 2026. We are anticipating at least one third of the funds will be expended in 2026. That also includes \$1.5 million in dredging. So there are a lot of factors that in there. Some of the income, some of the expenses are coming off. Some of the debt is coming off, like in 2028, we have lease purchase of \$1.5 million for a fire engine. Debt is coming off for the Public Safety building that same year, at \$475,000. We also anticipating, and this is, of course, approved, which has to be approved by council, the sand retention methods of \$4 million. We have that in as debt and not cash, and that is about a \$600,000 annual payment. And, then the remaining of the drainage project for 38th and 41st is \$3.5 million. And there is a lease fire truck lease that is coming off, to the tune of \$92,000 in 2029.

Council Member Bogosian: To that point thought, on page, well, if you go to page, well, you can use that page, for example, it shows that that is for a \$10 million bond with mil. And it shows that for per million dollar of taxable value, primary residence 4%, the impact would be \$175.00. But, that does not include that some millage is going to be reduced because the debt's coming off. So, the net impact is going to be less than that by the fact that millage is going to come off.

Director Hamilton: Right, and this schedule does not show that. That is correct.

Council Member Bogosian: Can we get that? So show the net impact in other words, for that particular case, if you have \$175, but some amount is going to come off what the net impact would be per million dollar of value.

Director Hamilton: Sure.

Mayor Pounds: Because, the Public Safety building, which is the biggest chunk. So that is probably one and a half mil drop number.

Council Member Bogosian: So it is going to be significantly less.

Director Hamilton: It is not really. The Public Safety building, which was, because only one hundred and ten of that was being paid by the General Fund, so it is not it is not one and a half mil.

Council Member Pierce: Would it be possible to maybe put together a I am sorry go ahead.

Mayor Pounds: I was going to say so not even a mill.

Director Hamilton: No.

Council Member Pierce: What I was thinking Debra, and maybe this is for our budget meeting coming up in a couple of days here, but kind of take the taxpayer review and show from 26 through 36, we have got all of the you mentioned, I think three or four items. I was just jotting down that you are assuming are going to be debt financed that are coming on. So we do have things coming off, but we also have things coming on, and you know just pick an interest rate or what have you, but sort of look at it from a from a tax bill standpoint. We have got the, I think if you go to the \$5 million page, it is an \$89 or \$87. Now that is going to be out for eight years, but you have got things dropping off. But it looks like you have also got some things that you are assuming are coming on in the future years. So maybe that view from a taxpayer perspective would be very helpful so that you can see how that is going to impact and then we can make a decision in its entirety. Does that seem helpful?

Director Hamilton: Yes, yes I can I can definitely do that.

Mayor Pounds: And Debra, for the two debt scenarios. I think you said you are assuming like a hundred-ish thousand dollars for underwriting cost, is that right?

Director Hamilton: Yes, which is not in the financing schedule, but it is built in the budget.

Mayor Pounds: As an expense item.

Director Hamilton: As an expense item. Yes.

Council Member Miars: Oh, when I look at the cash, the first one, where I see the Beach Preservation funds getting a big hit, expenditures out, but it is going, Beyond the money that we actually have in the Beach Preservation fund.

Mayor Pounds: Your tourism fund.

Council Member Bogosian: Your tourism fund

Mayor Pound: That orange blip in 27.

Administrator Kerr: But Katie, are you talking about your 2035 hit?

Council Member Miars: No. I am looking at 2027.

Mayor Pounds: Current project okay.

Council Member Miars: The triangle at 26, between 26 and 28. The fund balance, it says right now in 2026 is just what it is right around ten.

Mayor Pounds: Ten, eleven.

Council Member Miars: So how are we spending almost sixteen?

Director Hamilton: It is being funded by your tourism funds. Is that is that what you are asking?

Mayor Pounds: From 26 to 27 on your tourism fund graph?

Council Member Miars: But that is not the beach but that is not the Beach Preservation fund. That is the tourism fund.

Council Member Pierce: Oh, I see you are saying we are spending more in the fund than we have money in.

Mayor Pounds: (INAUDIBLE)

Council Member Miars: And I'm also wondering, I'm also not really getting the \$20 million.

Director Hamilton: If we take that fund down, so 2027 already shows that we are going to spend some of it in 2026. So 2026 fund balance is already going to be decreased. So if we take the 2027 fund balance down to \$2 million, the rest of the remaining of the \$20 million, because we are saying we will spend about five in 2026, and the rest will come out of 2027. What the beach fund does not have will come from our tourism funds.

Council Member Miars: I just feel like, just from a visual standpoint, I feel like I mean, we have got a we have got a chart of tourism, and we have got a chart of the Beach Preservation. I feel like it should show where the money is actually coming from each time.

Council Member Pierce: I think question is, how can the line exceed the bar?

Council Member Miars: Yes, exactly. If it does, then we do not need to increase the millage. We can just keep making the orange line go higher.

Mayor Pounds: The green line is Beach Preservation fund chart. You see the blip in 2027. That is money coming out, coming from the tourism funds transfer in. See you are drawing down your 2026 eleven to twelve million dollars, whatever it is.

Council Member Miars: Are we increasing our contribution to the Beach preservation?

Director Hamilton: Through tourism, yes.

Council Member Cohen: The orange line in tourism turns into the green line and Beach preservation. So it transfers over, it goes out again.

Council Member Miars: So that seems like a shell game. I mean, I just I just feel like it makes more sense if we just said that the Beach Preservation fund is shot because it is going to be.

Mayor Pounds: That is what you are saying. In 2027, you are down to \$2 million.

Director Hamilton: You need to keep something in there. You are saying exactly the same thing. All we are doing is moving money. You are moving money from one fund to another just to cover this. Because the beach fund cannot sustain this amount of money on its own, so it has to come from somewhere else. And this is just showing that the money is coming from the tourism funds. So if we are transferring from the tourism funds, then of course we are not contributing as much to our General funds, which feeds our Capital funds. That is kind of why those lines are kind of going.

Administrator Kerr: And Debra, to that same point. In the year 2035, there is a massive spike out. But to Katie's point, the spike is bigger than the balances, and there is no, it shows another year, but there is no money to pay for that spike and the spike is not shown being covered in those next years.

Director Hamilton: Right.

Mayor Pounds: That is a project.

Administrator Kerr: That spike is not covered in these.

Council Member Pierce: That is a one-sided entry basically.

Director Hamilton: Yeah, Yeah.

Council Member Pierce: There is no money.

Director Hamilton: There's no money to cover.

Council Member Miars: So the 2027 triangle is being covered by tourism funds?

Director Hamilton: That is correct.

Mayor Pounds: It would show on the green line versus the orange line, and that those are the that is where the money is coming in and out.

Council Member Pierce: I know this is a conversation for the tenth --

Council Member Miars: \$18 million. Is that right? We have \$2 million in grants. Is that?

Director Hamilton: We have \$2 million in grants, correct.

Council Member Miars: So that I mean the these triangles get us to eighteen?

Director Hamilton: That is correct. This is estimated at if we spread this out eight years, if we spread that out eight years for another project, if you compound that over cost of living and, increase the next project, the City's portion will be about \$28 million or more

Mayor Pounds: With an inflation assumption.

Director Hamilton: Right. Right. So, at that time, the fund balance will be down to like \$15 million if we take all the money from the fund balance and try to cover that project. We will take funding balances down to like \$15 million. So that shows that the City has to do something. The City has to consider

Mayor Pounds: or the State

Director Hamilton: Or the State. Somebody has to do something to give the City some money to cover the next project. This one, of course, the City can manage either through cash or through debt.

Council Member Miars: The top left chart does not show the impact of 2035.

Director Hamilton: Right, because that is our that is our General Fund. That is correct.

Administrator Kerr: Really, none of them show the impact of 2035. Just a big spike showing out with no kind of solution in them. We do not know where it is going to go.

Mayor Pounds: Rusty.

Council Member Streetman: Thank you. On the table you got here, Debra, for five and ten years. I know we have touched on this before, but on the millage rate, the per one million taxable value for primary residence in both those scenarios, that is based on property tax assessment value?

Director Hamilton: Property tax assessment.

Council Member Streetman: Not the appraised or fair market value.

Director Hamilton: That is correct.

Council Member Streetman: Right. So, that would be a lot less than what you would actually sell your home for if you decided to sell it.

Council Member Pierce: And the nice thing about that schedule it shows over the eight years, how much total we have contributed. So, \$700 bucks (INAUDIBLE)

Mayor Pounds: (INAUDIBLE)

Director Hamilton: So I will do a chart that shows the amount the City currently has in the budget to be financed, how we are currently paying for it, how it affects debt service and the new debt service request.

Council Member Pierce: Kind of over a ten-year forecast. Can I ask one other question? Do you, on the Beach fund itself, what was your assumption about how much is retained versus spent? I mean it looks like you got some spending in there. I think we know that we may get a \$1.8 million or so on the beach fund every year, but about half of that is spent on consulting and monitoring, non-sand on beach or non-renourishment, So we do not actually accumulate everything that comes into the beach fund for beach renourishment.

Director Hamilton: That is correct. It equates down to I think about maybe \$700,000 or so. I cannot remember exactly number,

Mayor Pounds: (INAUDIBLE) in there.

Director Hamilton: but about \$700,000.

Council Member Bogosian: It is pulled out every year for miscellaneous.

Director Hamilton: The net it gets down to about 700 because we, that is if everything runs smoothly, if there is no emergency sand no emergency, that is as if there are not any incidents. If we bring it in the fee from Accommodations and just regular expenses at about \$500,000, some less, not considering any emergency services at all

Council Member Pierce: So, this is an event-free scenario, basically or any emergency.

Director Hamilton: Yes.

Mayor Pounds: And it is also assuming no grants, no

Director Hamilton: Right, no grants. It is just hard to determine if we are going to spend, because the numbers in the last two years for emergency services have fluctuated so tremendously. It is just hard to determine that. And we are hoping that this renourishment as well as these retention methods kind of alleviate that. We know we will have some costs. The Council was trying to put in systems that will prevent all the emergency spending that the City spends.

Mayor Pounds: And Debra, one fund that is not in this lineup is we have about \$4 million plus Disaster Recovery fund.

Director Hamilton: Yes, and that is not considered in any of these numbers. That is for like hurricane.

Council Member Ward: Yeah, but it is not restricted.

Director Hamilton: It is not restricted. It all comes from the general fund. It is not restricted.

Council Member Ward: Then we have not had a conversation about potential of installation of groins.

Mayor Pounds: That is the \$4 million project that she has got in there.

Director Hamilton: That is the \$4 million.

Council Member Ward: Okay I am sorry, yeah, good.

Director Hamilton: We are now calling it retention, sand retention methods.

Council Member Ward: Very good.

Council Member Cohen: Where does that show up here?

Mayor Pounds : Capital Projects.

Council Member Cohen: That is in 29?

Director Hamilton: Okay, That is actually in 28. But it is showing

Council Member Cohen: What we are seeing is 29.

Director Hamilton: We are yeah, because that is probably when the payment takes place. So yes, that is some debt there. Yes.

Council Member Bogosian: Three million, is that?

Director Hamilton: Four million.

Council Member Pierce: Looks like with any of these scenarios, is it safe to say that the available tourism funds that we have traditionally transferred into the General Fund do not make their way over to Capital Fund anymore? And that we are kind of starving the Capital Fund going forward.

Director Hamilton: It is safe to say less is being transferred. That is correct.

Mayor Pounds: And that came out of General Fund right?

Director Hamilton: Yes.

Council Member Pierce: We have to swivel through General Fund to get Capital Projects funded.

Director Hamilton: Well, some of the capital requests, the CapEx stuff, is paid through tourism. So I have started allocating a little bit more to tourism instead of pulling it from the Capital funds. Just because it is not being funded the way it was previously. Now, of course, we can do it however the City prefers to see it because that is why that fund was established to fund our capital CapEx projects. But if it is moving from one fund to, if it is moving from this fund, these funds to this fund, to this fund, I am just taking it from this fund, more of this fund than more of these the bottom funds, the tourism funds than the Capital fund. But, of course, we can go back to filtering it the way we have, which we are still doing. We are still taking some of it from Capital Projects. Just not as much.

Council Member Pierce: This may be a sidebar question, but would you be this might be a request for the budget coming up. Can you let us know, or maybe you can work on it with your team, what kind of revenues are we going to be required to find or raise from whatever sources we can to change this trajectory so that we can fund these things? Or I guess alternatively, what kind of expense reductions can we look at that are hopefully non-personnel? We will take a look at IT services and some other operating expenses that will close the gap. I think we are going to need to know what gap we have got to close on the revenue and expense side in order to turn this boat into a positive fund contributor.

Director Hamilton: Yes. Anything else?

Council Member Bogosian: Are we going to do something in March? Is that what the plan is?

Mayor Pounds: Tonight was just more discussion to get grounded on the options and see what the effect was at a City taxpayer fund balance level.

Council Member Miller: I guess my question is, what is the timeline?

Mayor Pounds: Debra, I know you there was a timeline if we went down a debt road. There was a time, maybe you do not have it in front of you. It is okay. But I mean it is a 60-day waiting process. I mean, it is, we are fine, but you know, probably about April May we need to.

Council Member Miller: When are we not fine? April May, we need to, if we are financing.

Director Hamilton: If 2026 is paid with cash and 2027 is financed, then I think we have time. I think we can meet the obligations that were required to. And I cannot remember all, everything that is needed, but we have to get a bond attorney and all that. So, I think we if Council elects, I think if cash is paid for 2026, then we should be okay to finance 2027 and have you know need that time restraint.

Council Member Pierce: You are talking about fiscal year.

Director Hamilton: Fiscal year, yes.

Mayor Pounds: Thank you, Debra. Update on the request for bids. Douglas, you want to?

Administrator Kerr: Yes. The bids have been, the bid request has been posted. We have solicited to the known contractors that we believe are interested in submitting bids. Feedback has been positive. It seems like the timing could be to our advantage, so we are hopeful about that. We do have coming up. We have a mandatory pre-bid meeting that I believe is the second of March. We would then have bids back between, we would have back bids back on the eighteenth, which would be just prior to your next Council meeting. Hope would be that you all would at least get a look at where the bids came in, but also give Wild Dunes Community Association the same opportunity to see where the pricing came in. And, our hope would be that kind of all things would come together at your April Council meeting. So we would have bids, we would hope to have, and we are going to talk about easements, going to talk about agreements with the Wild Dunes Community Association. So that is our target is to have everything kind of coming together in towards the end of April to be in time for your April Council meeting to make decisions about those.

Council Member Pierce: The bids are coming in on the eighteenth. That is like a month and a half down the road before we get a look at anything. Is there anything we can do in the meantime? Take a month and a half to get ready for our review on it. I was just wondering when

Administrator Kerr: March 18.

Council Member Pierce: So you said (INAUDIBLE)

Administrator Kerr: Well, so end of March we will have the bids for you to just see and know where they came in for your March Council meeting. That then gives us a month to go back to the Community

Association, kind of get the share pinned down, get the easements in place, get everything in place that would be needed. But you will know the amount on the eighteenth.

Council Member Pierce: We will bid review on the on the eighteenth. At the meeting, March meeting.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct. March meeting, you will know the bid amounts. April meeting, we would expect you to have all the information to be able to award a contract if you chose.

Council Member Bogosian: Bid opening is March eighteenth.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct.

Council Member Bogosian: So we will know all that pricing

Administrator Kerr: And I think your meeting the twenty third.

Council Member Bogosian: I got a question for you though around package. What was the strategy around structuring it with a deduct, an alternate deduct for Reach Three?

Administrator Kerr: There was talk about what happens as and as you all know, we have talked a lot about what happens if we are unsuccessful in getting easements. We cannot get enough or easements that makes sense on the south end, we would not be in a position to be able to award that work. So that is that is in talking through with Stephen, talking to the contractors how they would approach that. That is the methodology.

Council Member Bogosian: But wouldn't the same be true of Reach Two and Three?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Bogosian: But it is not structured that way. That we could say, well, we did not get easements so we could back that out.

Administrator Kerr: I do not think that we expect. We have not heard of any issues with them. On the northern end we have had easements for a prior project. The easements from my perspective were referenced to be permanent. We are going back for those easements, but we have never had issue with getting those easements, So we are not anticipating a problem getting the easements in the in the north end. We could, and if we do not get easements on if I, guess the issue is reversed where we get all of the easements on the south end, but we do not get them on the north end, we would have to renegotiate that that bid. But, do not expect that.

Council Member Bogosian: (INAUDIBLE) reach. I mean, there are two reaches up there. Yeah. I was just curious.

Council Member Miars: I think the homeowners association has some sway hold. I think that is why it is different in Wild Dunes.

Administrator Kerr: There are much fewer of them. Most of them are actual condo regimes, so they are managed by a Board. As I have said, the boards have always not had issue with granting easements. So it is much easier. It has been an easy process in the past.

Council Member Streetman: They have been accustomed to it.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah. They have done it twice.

Council Member Bogosian: I got another question. Douglas, you and I have been kind of talking about this. I think it is good to have a discussion around some of these lines and assumptions and different things in these drawings, and if in looking at the bid document drawings, it looks like the dune is being

placed at the current where the current baseline State baseline is in the drawings. And there are some alternatives in there around slopes and different things, and then where the berm or the sand would start to be placed, and then how far it all goes and at what elevation all up and down the beach line. But, there's assumptions in there of 400,000 cubic yards of sand for Reach Three. A lot of people, including myself, want to see the assumptions behind that and how that is calculated. And I think we will, right?

Administrator Kerr: Yes, yes.

Council Member Bogosian: You will give us an update?

Administrator Kerr: Yes, so

Council Member Bogosian: There is nothing in this bid. It is in there, but we yet have to determine how much sand is going to all these reaches.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct. Part of that process during that month, we are going to get bid minimums, the minimums guaranteed amount of sand that we wanted to advertise to get the interest of bidders to be attracted to the job, so there is a minimum in there. And the expectation would be, and quite frankly, the budget that we built was not terribly far above the minimum. I think the bid minimum was a million four or five, and I think our budgeting documents have been a 1.6 million or so. So they are very close to each other what we have worked on and that has worked up to the approximately \$32 million project, that is been based on volumes that are very close to the minimums that are in these in these drawings. It would be fantastic if bids came in below what we have anticipated and we are able to put a higher volume than what the bid minimums are, or even what we have budgeted for in our cost estimates. But we will not know that until we get those bids back. Kind of how much do we have, and based on how much we have and the bids come back, what volumes go on each reach? So that is still to be determined. There is a methodology, and I have been asking CSE, and I have received something back late this afternoon that just lays out in kind of engineering terms their methodology of forming the basis for those volumes, just at a very high level, It is it is the desired minimum healthy beach profile spaced out eight years from now and then backing up the erosion rates to come up to and then adding in the current amount of sands. It is just an input and output exercise that gets you to at the end of the useful life of the project gets you to the identified minimum healthy beach profile, and I will share that with Council tomorrow.

Council Member Bogosian: Because I mean the assumptions are important, right?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Bogosian: How you calculate that, and I think that is what we are waiting to see. But, the basic premise of the project is that the dune system will be built at the baseline. It is going to be a roughly 14' elevation dune. From there, it is going to slope down, which will start putting the berm or the sand, and it will be built to about a 7' elevation and then go out some period of some amount and then slope down at a 1:18 ratio into the water. But then there is different, for up and down the beach, there are different profiles of current elevation. I think that is what we are missing as well because those change over time based on erosion, right?

Administrator Kerr: That is correct.

Council Member Bogosian: So, the numbers that we are looking at in the bid documents probably are wrong.

Administrator Kerr: They did survey the beach very beginning of February. So two or three weeks ago. So, they did it at the end of 2025. They had some numbers. They have now done it again just now done it again before these documents went out. But they probably will do it again before we actually release a

contract for the work to happen. So, they are constantly, to your point, monitoring the volumes in place at the time when they when they start the work.

Council Member Pierce: I think we really do need to walk through how we got from the 560 down to 400 in detail because when we came up with a healthy beach profile over a year ago, those numbers were based on the volume and monitoring at that time from what I understand. The beach since then has deteriorated so I am really baffled as to how we go from 560,000 and the 1.2 million up at Wild Dunes to a lower number on the south end. And the only way, you know, I may be off here, but if we are using the Army Corps sand, that is not beach compatible sand that we have been getting very low quality. We have millions of mud balls out there right now that are just accumulating and actually being relocated into the low tide zone. I think we are going to be talking about that later. But even the math on that, if we are looking at erosion rates, if we have had 800,000 cubic yards, I am just making up numbers here, 800,000 cubic yards of Army Corps sand come in, and there is only two or three hundred left on the beach, we cannot use that sand to offset good sand. And if that is what's happening, we need to know it and we need to adjust. And I have to say I would really like to see a second set of eyes. We have not had any transparency on how these numbers are being derived, and we are hearing now they are coming tomorrow. The bids have already been let out. I would like to see a second set of eyes on these calculations to ensure that we do have the optimal quantities of sand, volumes of sand going on, and that we are accounting for the right type of sand and that we are not using this Army Corps discharge offset with voles at these amounts.

Council Member Miller: I guess to follow up on that is that true?

Administrator Kerr: So I think the short answer of why the volume is down to four, the potential and again, I mean this is the base bid. So Council can obviously choose to put if the City can afford to put more sand, City can obviously put more sand. But I think the short answer is yes, there is more sand on the beach now than there was two years ago. I think at the end of the day, I cannot tell you tonight if that sand is the Army Corps sand or what it is, but I think there is more sand out there now. And if you having walked the beach a ton as I know, Scott does as well, a few years ago it was there were pools out on the active beach. So it is some amount better than it was at that time when they were removing the rubble of the pools that were --

Council Member Pierce: And I may not be making myself clear, but what I am saying is this is great that we are you know they're pumping like crazy out there to build up that base. But it is eroding so quickly that if we are taking a measurement at the high water mark of when most sand has just I call it discharge has been put on the beach, we are just cheating the numbers because that stuff is, you can put it in an hourglass and it is gone. Or I mean, I can bring in some clay balls for you. My bigger concern is that we are just pumping clay on the beach right now that is just being, it is being exported into the water tide line. That stuff is not going to go away. We are destroying that part of the beach down there, and I think we need to talk about that later. But I think we need some serious oversight on what is going on at that end of the beach, and it is not happening with our current consultant.

Council Member Miars: Do we have CSE analysis numbers from? I thought they were doing this every six months.

Administrator Kerr: We do have monitoring reports, but I think what Scott is asking for is oversight, City oversight on the Army Corps project, which we do not do.

Council Member Miars: But do the monitoring reports show us the topography and you know levels of sand?

Administrator Kerr: Yes. We know that the data has been collected for 2025, the end of 2025. We know there is the draft report has been working. They have been working on that report for us. We have had them very busy with getting the bid documents out. As John has described, we have been working to

modify the shape of the dune to get into a configuration that we think is most likely going to result in hopefully, all of the easements being granted. So we have had them working on other things, but we do know that.

Council Member Miars: If I wanted to look at an engineer's report as to the condition of our beach, I would be getting June of 25 is the most recent we have? Or is there something more recent?

Administrator Kerr: Currently that would be what that would be as recent as we have. We know that we have the data for the very end of 2025 and should have a report kind of any day now.

Council Member Miars: I feel like this conversation was somewhat premature. Without that, I mean, that report is kind of what we need.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, we will provide that very soon.

Council Member Miars: And if we are going out to bid without those numbers, how do we know that we are going out to bid properly? Cart before the horse here.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, CSE has those numbers plus numbers from as recently as February. Whether again to Scott's question about what is included in those numbers, I am assuming that all of the material that is been placed out there, that they are not. I am assuming they are not discounting material that is showing up in their surveys. I would assume this case. I will need to verify that.

Council Member Miars: But I mean, they typically give us an analysis of not just sand but, the quality of the sand. I know we have talked about that too. I am just hoping that all of that is being taken into account and all of these things need to. We got know what number we are starting at in order to know what number we are trying to get to. We cannot do that subtraction without it.

Administrator Kerr: I do not know that we have ever had a report, well, I do not know that we have, I know we have never had a situation where the Army Corps is pumping material. I do not think we have ever had an analysis of imported sand in in those monitoring reports, other than the nourishment projects that we had a lot of data on the sand that showed up from our own projects. I do not think we --

Council Member Miars: Stephen has talked about it. I know. In June we had, that was when the last report was and the Army Corps project was happening then. So, I feel like I remember having this conversation about it. The quality.

Administrator Kerr: The silting.

Council Member Miars: And how some of the sand is lighter and will more likely float away.

Mayor Pounds: Bev, did you get?

Council Member Miller: Yeah, this might be, so we talked about establishing the primary dune as a baseline, and that is part of the assumption, correct?

Administrator Kerr: That is correct.

Council Member Miller: So in Reach Three, I'm a little concerned about Teach Three. Engineers' discretion and change, do an alignment and a position. It is like a design build kind of idea. Why?

Administrator Kerr: We have been talking about there, and I guess we have moved from the agenda into the easement question. We are kind of merging them all together.

Council Member Miller: Yeah, they are all related.

Administrator Kerr: So we have talked about the fact that there are several properties right at the inlet that the baseline is far out from where the existing escarpment is. We have been talking about the desire to potentially have the dune well out from the escarpment, And we have had same conversation with CSE and Foth about what is the likelihood of that dune surviving way out there. Neither of them feel good about that. They say it can certainly be built that way. But we think that there should probably be some flexibility for certain properties. We have also reached out to those property owners and talked with them about, do they necessarily care if the if the berm in front of their property is so far out? And initial indications are that they do not necessarily care. So, this is a pretty, and I will say that that when we kind of talk through the design that seems to have favor with the residents down there the design is not problematic for I would say from an engineering standpoint, the design is not problematic for probably 90% of the properties. It is problematic right around the actual inlet itself. So I think that we would want to have some flexibility if there is not a concern with putting that berm where the engineers think it should berm, we would want to give that consideration. For the rest of the project, putting the berm at the baseline is very close to how it was already designed. So it is kind of a, it is a non- issue, but right at Breach Inlet it does cause some issues.

Council Member Bogosian: How many homes? Like six.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, six to eight, I think.

Council Member Streetman: When you say right at Breach Inlet, are you talking about from the bridge to

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, and it is really in about three proper, when you get to right at the bridge, it is not problematic. So it is kind of, exclude the first two right at the bridge, and, then it is about six in line there where it would be putting that berm kind of, I say berm, that dune way out in in what is currently water. And I think they feel like if you were to place that amount of sand there, it very likely would be gone pretty quickly. Would not last the full, you would not get your best bang for the buck for that part of the berm. But again, it is in the grand scheme of the number of properties we are dealing with, it is a pretty small number of properties.

Mayor Pounds: So in that area, you are talking about pulling the sand dune built back towards the property.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, if when we start down the path of getting easements, we are going to have individual conversations with each one of these property owners. Those six will be, six to eight, would be treated kind of independently, and we need to the rest of them to build it as we have talked about, does not cause an engineering problem.

Council Member Bogosian: So the resolution to that on a long-term basis is a potential groin?

Administrator Kerr: That is right, And this is the area that it seems like all experts have kind of come to the conclusion that a groin in that area may be best in the long run anyway.

Council Member Bogosian: And there's no opportunity to expedite that groin permit more closely aligned with, have we talked about also about that.

Administrator Kerr: To have it quicker than?

Council Member Bogosian: Yeah, some kind of an expedited kind process to be able to get the groin system more closely aligned to their nourishment project, maybe not exact, but within. So by the time they finish the project, we could have a groin system in. I mean, it is going to take a few months to do the project. So by time we finish it, we would have it in.

Administrator Kerr: I would assume that, that again, I am assuming that, that seems like the BCM permits generally run about a year. So I think we have kind of anticipated that we would have several months of their analysis. Then I think you'd have to have several months of permitting.

Council Member Bogosian: (INAUDIBLE) get his idea on that, maybe since he's doing this first work with the staff at the work, just ask his thoughts on that.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, we can certainly do that.

Council Member Bogosian: (INAUDIBLE) if we can expedite.

Administrator Kerr: Mayor, we are jumping around a little bit, right? How about we just keep on the easement talk? We are kind of talking about that now. So we have internally talked through our strategy to hopefully get, and again, our goal would be to get 100% easements. So, we are trying to ensure that our starting documents, if you will recall last time, we started with a with a permanent easement. And, and there were some false starts in there that ultimately cost time and effort. So, we are hoping to start with an easement that will give us the highest probability of success. So as we have talked about here already tonight, we have heard back that the most favorable design appears to be having the crest of the dune at the baseline with the landward edge of the easement being no farther landward than the setback line. It would then extend towards the ocean out to the seaward limits of those properties. We are not even though there was language about the prior easement and Wild Dunes being permanent in nature, we are anticipating a two-year easement for both the southern end and the northern end. We have been doing with Mac's firm where we have a lot of the ownership information already from what we have already done, we are having to update that information. That has been done. Stephen's office is having to update the exhibits each easement. Each easement document has an exhibit attached to it. Those have to be created that work is underway. So we are aiming for having all of the documentation compiled and ready for distribution in the middle of this month. We then are planning to, when we send that information out initially, we plan to advertise a public meeting with, and this is the same process we used last time, a public meeting for all of those owners. We would have engineer's representative there, City's representative and a legal representative there. That meeting has been tentatively scheduled for April second at the Rec Center. So, we are trying to be sure that we can have everybody there at the same time to be able to do that. Again, we are trying to get this organized so that when it comes time to your April meeting, we hope to have those easements back to you all, so we can make determinations about the path forward and where we go from there.

Council Member Bogosian: So in the draft, it does not say where the easement is. Each one's going to be specific.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct. Yeah, those highlighted fields.

Council Member Bogosian: That is going to be to their setback line essentially.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct. And there will be an exhibit, a physical a map basically attached to the verbiage that shows graphically where that easement would be, but it would be, its landward limit would be the OCRM setback line.

Council Member Pierce: And they are all temporary.

Administrator Kerr: They are all temporary. Two years for all of these.

City Attorney McMillin: These are extremely similar to what was negotiated with the homeowners last like the last time.

Council Member Cohen: One, I do feel like the two-year easement does not do anything for us in long term, and I look back is you know go back ten years ago. Similar discussion comes up. We will work on

those, you know, getting permanent easements after we get through this cycle, and we are sitting here in the room having the same discussion. So to me, going ahead and trying to get permanent easements, even if we change where the locations of those easements are based on homeowners, is a better path forward than basically a two-year easement that after two years, we are going to have to start renegotiating them again if we have issues with this end of the beach. So that is my feeling strongly on this. I do have a question as far as having the dunes established at the setback line. When you said that that is not an engineering issue, is there additional cost? How does that affect future erosion rates? Is it better to put, where is it best to put the dunes?

Administrator Kerr: So, really this would be a question for Stephen, but it is my understanding the dune was originally designed to tie into the to the existing escarpment. After the analysis of mapping that existing escarpment and mapping the OCRM setback line, the two are very closely aligned if not and really north of Sixth, the OCRM setback line is well landward of the escarpment. So it is no issue north of six. Between sixth and about second, it is a very marginal difference, five to ten feet. So it was not enough to give them concern about placing it there. It is really, when you get to those properties around the corner that it is from an engineering perspective, a problem.

Council Member Bogosian: As a clarification, though, you are talking about the setback line, the dune is in place at the baseline, not the setback line.

Administrator Kerr: So the oceanside crest would be at the baseline. It then has a 15' wide top. That top would be between the baseline and the setback line. It then tapers down, so that the back of the dune all stays seaward of the setback line. There are a handful of properties, again, especially those six to eight down at Breach Inlet, that would, if we do not do any work landward of the setback line, there will be what we have been calling a gully. There is a little bit, there are potentially stormwater concerns. You are trapping water behind there. We have heard from at least some owners that they would be willing to put sand in those areas between the back of our future dune and the existing escarpment. Again, it is not enough of a distance to be much of a problem for the bulk of those properties. But it is a situation down at those Breach Inlet properties because it would be maybe a 50' wide kind of gully that you would be leaving down there.

Mayor Pounds: Douglas, David, another point. I mean, if you want to touch on the experience with permanent versus temporary.

Administrator Kerr: David and I have exchanged an email that, that it was just so, we were and I think to good reason. It was pointed out to us that we did not have an active beach nourishment program in place at that time. We had never done a renourishment project at that point. So the point was made why would I give a permanent easement when you have never done a successful project?

Mayor Pounds: On this end.

Administrator Kerr: On this end, that is correct. I think that I am assuming that the sentiment would be the same today. We still have not done a major nourishment project down there. So I do not know that there would be any different outcome if we were to try to get permanent easements today. But it was certainly not well received several years ago, and I just do not think the changes, I do not think we have a different set of circumstances today to suggest that there would be a different outcome. If we had done several projects, they had been successful, I think we would be in a different place, and we have we have had that conversation internally about Wild Dunes. I do think some of them at least felt like they gave a permanent easement. I think that they feel, again, we have talked about not anticipating as much. They have just been through it. So we had talked about getting permanent easements on the north end, but then when we talk through this issue of treating the two areas differently in terms of the easement language, we decided to do a two-year easement in the north end as well.

Council Member Cohen: And I'm just looking at moving forward, And we all saw it in the, when we were looking at the budget in what was it, in 37, and, we are basically, we are getting we are putting a bandaid on it to get through this hurdle, and we have got next one. So we have got to change our methodology for how we manage our beaches in the future. And if we just keep kicking it down the road, it is not going to happen. So, that is why I look at, let's start now and try to get the permanent easements because two years from now, the chances of getting easements is going to be even slimmer because people's property is not going to be in jeopardy, and they are not going to want to do it.

Administrator Kerr: Well, if their property is not in jeopardy, I guess that would be a good thing.

Council Member Cohen: Well until it becomes in jeopardy again, I do not want to repeat this cycle. So going ahead forward now where our best chance of getting permanent easements. I think that should be the path we move forward with, I may be the only one that thinks that, but I just cannot see us repeating what we have done ten years ago and twenty years ago and expect ten years from now that we are in any different place.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, I would just say the City staff is operating under the assumption that Council and the public wants the project done as soon as feasible. We have moved it ahead a year. We were planning on doing this next year. We caught wind that we may have permits in time to do it quicker, and this Council endorsed that path and has kind of sent us down that path. And we have talked a lot about this April Council meeting of really the stars kind of aligning for us where all of this is going to come together in April. That has been our mission. That has been our goal. If Council was to tell us, "Hey, we are okay taking another eight months to try to get permanent easements", try to have you know, kind of negotiate individually with all of the owners down there on each individual property. If we had time to do a lot of this stuff, we certainly could, but I do not think we would meet our objective of starting the project as soon as feasible.

Mayor Pounds: And maybe lose our cost advantage with contractors.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah.

Mayor Pounds: Whatever it might be.

Council Member Cohen: But again, I am just looking at it. I might be the sole one. We still have yet to figure out how we are funding this project. And to me, spending, making a decision to spend money when it buys us a temporary fix at best; I am having a hard time with that. So again, I may be the sole one that kind of feels that way, but I do not see why we would not try to get permanent easements, and then if we hit a hurdle, we can re-evaluate that decision in another month.

Administrator Kerr: I do think it would be a month lost. It appears that we are aligning to have this project happen well in the summer. If Council was to say let's delay and do it in the fall, I think that we have heard that pricing would be up. That is historically the time when communities want to do their projects. So I'm guessing if pricing goes up, the quantity of sand that the City could afford would be down. So if it was the will of Council, we could certainly pivot to a slower time frame.

Council Member Miller: Well, if you are asking if we want to delay this, I say no.

Mayor Pounds: I think in the ideal world, you would have 100% permanent easements. Totally agree. Be keyed up to do a terminal groin at the end if that is what Foth/Olsen comes back with. But we are kind of dealing with the hand that we are dealt with to some extent.

Council Member Cohen: And I am going to have a hard time allocating money for this. I will tell you that right now. I may be the sole one that does it, but I cannot see us doing basically a repeat of what we have done in the past and expect a different result.

Mayor Pounds: I am not following what you are saying though. Allocate money to what? A beach renourishment project?

Council Member Cohen: Right. We have not figured out how we are funding this project yet. So we are talking about up and coming votes at some point of

Mayor Pounds: We are either going to pay cash or take a loan.

Council Member Miars: But how do the permanent easements, what does a permanent easement have to do with

Council Member Cohen: How we figure out in the future

Council Member Miars: whether the project is going to last or now.

Mayor Pounds: That is what I am struggling with.

Administrator Kerr: We expect to be doing another project eight years from now whether we have permanent easements or temporary easements. I can tell you nobody would rather have permanent easements than me, to not have to deal with this every few years. I get it, but I do not think it is going to change what you do. It is going to put the staff back through an exercise of trying to get temporary easements and maybe the next project is the time to get them permanent.

Council Member Cohen: That is what everybody said ten years ago, I am thinking.

Council Member Miars: It is not going to change the cost and it is not going to change the engineering. It is just going to change whether or not staff has to go ask for easements again.

Mayor Pounds: I am still not following you. Ten years ago, we have only done two projects, 08 and 18. Right?

Council Member Cohen: Right.

Mayor Pounds: And we thought we had permanent easements up there. We find out they are temporary. So I'm still having trouble connecting the dots on

Council Member Cohen: I am expecting, from what we have seen, that we are going to have to do something similar on the south end in the future.

Mayor Pounds: Welcome to nature.

Council Member Cohen: Right. So instead of going through this cycle each time, let's try to get permanent easements. Again, we can always come back and change our mind and accept temporary easements in their place, but without even trying, we are just kind of giving up on that path forward.

Mayor Pounds: But we tried two years ago, an immediate and hard roadblock. So I am not sure why that is not –

Council Member Cohen: And if people do not want to give up the easements, then I question why we are renourishing the beach front and saving those properties.

Mayor Pounds: I do not disagree with you.

Council Member Cohen: Because we can establish a very nice beach on the right of way on Ocean Boulevard after all the houses fall in the water. That is not where I want to go with this, but if it is affordable to the City to do that, that is an option. It is not a pleasant option, but it is an option. So if we can get the permanent easements and be able to try to maintain the beach in the future, I think that is the path forward.

Council Member Pierce: David, alternatively, one of the reasons we are in the position that we are in is because we just starting talking about easements a month ago instead of a year ago. And I guess what I would ask is, I think we have got to get through this cycle, and I think we have got to do what we can get to get the beach renourishment done. We have put ourselves in this position and we are not in an optimal position to have a time frame to get permanent easements in place. And I think because of the performance or perceived performance or whatever you want to call it at the south end of the beach, the residents and the homeowners and the property owners down there are hesitant to just sign over property rights in their minds for eternity, for a lot of different reasons. So I am not excited, I would love to have permanent easements as well so we do not have to keep going through this, but we have got to build credibility, and I think we need to have a timeline to be able to work with residents to build their trust in order to say, "Hey there is no harm in this permanent easement." That is not this cycle unfortunately in my mind. So I do not disagree with you on getting permanent easements. I just do not think it is a practical objective right now. And I hear you on why you want to pursue it, and we are in maybe a position to try that, but we will be, in my mind, unsuccessful to be able to do that right now. As you know, I am not an advocate for kicking the can down the road, but we are where we are because we didn't get in front of this a year ago.

Mayor Pounds: And I do not agree with any of that. We were going down a path based on engineer feedback that they do not have easements in any other municipality they do a renourishment on, rightly or wrongly. And then we got feedback that need them, so we back up and start down a fast path with staff to get easements done.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, we accelerated it. We accelerated the project here.

Mayor Pounds: Really two years. 28 was when we were --

Administrator Kerr: And I just do not think a year ago anybody would have been in a different position if we went to them and started asking them for permanent easements a year ago. Still wouldn't be in any better position.

Mayor Pounds: And David, it has not been ten years since we tried permanent easements. It has literally been two. We are not going to get a different answer, so we are going to come back in a month, after wasting a month and come back with the same answer or not. I think we need to pin our ears back and go after this and make it happen.

Council Member Pierce: I think that is the only option we have.

Administrator Kerr: Escrow Agreement, are we ready for that? And, we have been we have bounced around terms and really it is just an agreement with the Wild Dunes Community Association. It is an agreement that is similar to the agreement we did back in 2018, and it explains how the money would flow from the Wild Dunes Community Association to the City prior to us executing agreements and initiating these projects. This is language that again started primarily with the old agreement. It has been through a legal review. Some modifications happened. It then went to the Public Facilities committee. They had some modifications they suggested as well, so those have been looked over by the legal team, incorporated into this agreement. Next steps. This has not been sent to the Community Association as kind of a City-endorsed document yet. We wanted to have this conversation with you first. If it, if it looked generally, okay, directionally, we would share it with the Community Association. They will have their process to go through to review it, provide feedback to us. This is another example of we are hopeful that we can have this in an executable form by your April meeting as well.

Council Member Pierce: Douglas just to clarify, a lot of the requested changes have not made it into the agreement from our Public Services meeting.

Administrator Kerr: There were there were a couple that did not.

Council Member Pierce: The exhibits are not here. The description and the quantification of what costs are supposed to be included are not here. We also had some references to dates on when the cost actually started. I do not know, Mac, were you involved in any of these conversations with the staff?

City Attorney McMillin: We had a real estate lawyer at the firm go through this closely, and then I also went through it too and added a lot of dispute resolution.

Council Member Pierce: I saw that.

Administrator Kerr: So Scott –

Council Member Pierce: I guess what I would ask is at the next meeting can we maybe have maybe we could have Andrew there and an attorney actually go through the agreement to make sure that everything that we are asking for is getting put in there. I will give you one example. So when we talked about the City's work and I think that is in section 2A. We talked about that we wanted to have to be very clear that all of the soft costs had have started, we signed contract for our soft costs back in October, and we were going to schedule out what is actually in the \$22 million and what is included in that. And we referenced the City's work in here, but then when we get down to 3B cost sharing, we talked about cost sharing of total construction costs, but it does not have any reference to the City's work costs that we are supposed to be defined up in section 2A. So, we have got inconsistencies with what the cost is that we are sharing versus what the cost is in definition. And I think throughout the agreement there are several things like this. We have reference to owners in here, but they are not defined as far as acceptance and just a lot of kind of cats and dogs that did not get cleaned up. And without the exhibits and without examples of how this is going to work, I think we are, that is that is a critical part of this agreement.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, we have added reference to the exhibits that would be attached there. They are the same exhibits that that you all have seen already. The examples of how the 53/47 was derived, how an example of a project we you all have seen, and we would attach. The example of a \$32 million project, assuming that was the bid amount, how that would flow down. So, you are right. They should have been included as attachments, but the placeholder is there, and they would be the same exhibits that you all have previously seen.

Council Member Bogosian: My, if it is going back to committee, I will leave it to committee to come up with it. But my comment is, is that the most fundamental thing is how the cost is going to be shared is not explicit in here. Specifically, like section 3B, sharing percentages. I think the methodology that we all discussed was is that we would take whatever the total cost of the project, including the contractor's costs, all the soft costs, total encompassing what you defined as cost divided by the total amount of sand that is going to get pumped, and that would be a unit cost. Then, we would take that times the amount of sand that is going to be pumped reaches one and two, and that would be take 47% of that, and that would be our cost.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct.

Council Member Bogosian: That needs to be laid out specifically like that, and then an example of that using actual numbers saying, not actual numbers, but some numbers to show it how it would be calculated as an exhibit, so that everybody is clear that when it comes time, this is how we are calculating.

Administrator Kerr: That was a similar comment to the, and that was the new attachments exhibit three.

Council Member Bogosian: Section 3B should say that in words and then the exhibit should show it in an example. And I do not read that in section 3B, so that is what I am just like being more explicit now. Unless you plan on putting all those words in the exhibit. Maybe that is fine, too.

Council Member Pierce: The intention, John, is just what you said. We had the simple math equation based on the allocation method. You write it out, it has got to be consistent with what is included in the cost schedule. And then we show some examples of exhibits so we can get that.

Council Member Bogosian: All right, well I will leave it to you again to get that.

Council Member Pierce: I would ask that any comments just send to Katie and the Committee and then kind of try to incorporate them.

Administrator Kerr: Scott, if you do not mind while we are while we have Mac, we are taking notes. The exhibits were not attached. That that we can take care of. The sharing percentages 3B, we can more explicitly lay that out as John has described. Go through your --

Council Member Pierce: It also refers to total construction cost. We are sharing total construction costs, but it should say total costs as identified and defined in the City's work. So, we are what it says, we are contemplating that we are going to split all the work, but when they get into 3B, it just talks about construction costs and not the rest of not the rest of the cost sharing. Yeah, it is inconsistent.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, 3B.

Council Member Pierce: And then we also had, we were talking about the dates. We wanted to because there are some costs in here that are referred to as because they were precedent to the signing of the agreement, they are not going to be included. But I think that has to do with sandbag removal. But I think we wanted to be explicit that the contract that we signed that we have already incurred costs on like for Traynum consulting and other costs that are already being incurred, those are the soft costs that we want to make sure get in the sharing arrangement. That has all got to get in there. And then there was a reference to something about owner; I cannot remember exactly where that was. Owner acceptance, but it does not

Council Member Cohen: That was in paragraph five.

Administrator Kerr: That probably is a holdover from the --

Council Member Cohen: It says owner's acceptance where it probably should be the City's acceptance of the contract.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, I think that is a carry over.

Council Member Cohen: These will be quick because I think most of them got most of my comments got covered already. Was paragraph 2C on the fifth sentence, it references 4A, and that should be probably 2A.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, you are right.

Council Member Cohen: I think Scott kind of covered my other one was taking out the word instruction in in 3B, plus I guess the other changes and I did question why the not to exceed \$12 million was included because I think there that kind of limits them that the option is if it comes up higher than that yeah it could be a discussion that it could go over that if Wild Dunes wants to continue additional sand.

Administrator Kerr: That is correct.

Council Member Cohen: So I did not think there was any reason to limit them to twelve million.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, I think we would. And we have talked, Andrew and I have talked about the, if neither one of us wanted to give the indication that we could commit to more than what's kind of already been committed, so that is the rationale for having a cap. If the bids come in and one of us or both of us want to exceed what is in the stated cap, you will have that opportunity in the April meeting to adjust the

language based on what Council's decision and what the Community Association's decision is to actually fund. So did know that that potentially could change down the road.

Council Member Cohen: I think everything else I had was already mentioned.

Council Member Pierce: Yeah, we can talk about it at the Committee meeting. The City exclusive costs where we talked about that, we have the allocation on that.

Administrator Kerr: What is your letter?

Council Member Pierce: It is on 3D. The City's exclusive costs. If we have the methodology and everything, I am not sure why this is in here, but we can talk about that later.

Council Member Miller: So this getting kicked back to Committee then?

Mayor Pounds: Yes.

Administrator Kerr: So do you want to hold? I do think the Community Association is tracking the draft comments. Are you all okay? I think Andrew's here. He hears that it is still being worked on. If we kind of formally share that with him, have them start their review.

Council Member Pierce: I think it would be helpful to have him at the meeting if he's up for it.

Administrator Kerr: We'll talk to Andrew about that.

Mayor Pounds: Douglas, want to keep rocking:

Administrator Kerr: Yes. Update on the easement process. I think we have covered that update on the Army corps project. I think all of you have been made very aware of the material that they have encountered. This is specifically the Ahtna work. We thought that it could be the Cottrell work, which is the which is they are taking the material out of the intercoastal floor. We visited the site, talked with them again today. We had heard reports that it was as far north as 6th Avenue. While we did see some material that was not great around there, it was very, very minimal. So the bulk of this material that is concerning is in the third to second block and area. We have reported, and we have received numerous complaints about the material and have made the Army Corps aware of that. They have responded to us that they have directed the contractor to move away from that area that had that material and to move the material that had been pumped out into the out in below the low water line to help it dissipate. We were down there today. They were actively doing that, but it did not look good by any stretch. So we have been hearing that they kind of crux of the issue is this is a federal project. It is not a city project. We do not have control over that project. We have always kind of internally looked at the importance of that partnership with the Army Corps, and I think we kind of knew that there would be, they made it clear that there would be what they call silty material, and they would try to address that as best they can. That is unfortunate that here at the at the very I think kind of end of the road with them, we are having this material show up. In terms of timing, we are being told that Cottrell, the group that was doing the intercoastal is maybe about a week away and Ahtna, the operation who has been here for now well over a year is several weeks away. They say they will be off the island before the end of March. So, both of their projects are wrapping up. And it is again, I think it is a shame that we have had this happen at the at the end of the project. But there's not a ton of control that we, there is not any control we have over that project.

Council Member Bogosian: We cannot stop them? We just say we do not want any more?

Administrator Kerr: Council probably could do that.

Council Member Bogosian: I mean if, I do not know if they are reaching a point that they are putting stuff on the beach that is not, I mean, it makes it an unrecreational beach, but it is also potentially damaging to

the beach long term. I do not know why we would not want them to continue to do that if they say they cannot get us quality sand. They said silt, not mud. They are pumping clay on the beach.

Council Member Miller: And rocks.

Council Member Bogosian: I understand that intercoastal stuff is better. It is not mud. But coming out of the pit over there, it seems like we have really got some bad stuff. I do not know why we would not just stop them. If you can start pumping good sand back on it, we will take it, but we do not want mud.

Council Member Pierce: This has been going on for weeks. And there is no oversight.

Administrator Kerr: No, it is not our project.

Council Member Pierce: But it is our beach.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, I get that.

Council Member Pierce: So the description of it these are huge clay balls that they are picking up. I mean, literally, there are probably millions of these things now. It is not just a couple of mud balls on the beach. They are big clay balls. And happy to, I know you have seen them. It is got it is up to 6th Avenue, and they are literally at night taking them up in bucket loads, and they are just dumping them into the tide. And they have been doing that now for days or weeks. And do they have a permit? I would imagine they get a permit.

Administrator Kerr: I would assume so. I would assume.

Council Member Pierce: They should not be doing this, and they should be cleaning it up. They are just dumping it. You say that stuff's going dissolve away though? It is not going dissolve; that stuff is out there.

Administrator Kerr: I am not an expert on silt or clay or mud. It is what I have been told that it will dissipate. I do not know that for certain.

Council Member Pierce: Are we okay with this? Because the permits basically say that if something like this is occurring, the Army Corps or anybody should stop immediately, and they should clean it up.

Mayor Pounds: Douglas, when was your last conversation with project manager?

Administrator Kerr: Maybe yesterday? Yeah, it is frequent. We had correspondence yesterday. It is constant. And I do not know, Scott, if they, I do not know, if the State can regulate the feds when it comes to that. I do not know.

Council Member Pierce: Looking at it, I am looking at DSA regulation, and it says sand used must consist of appropriate grain sizes, quality and color and be compatible for beach renourishment. If muddy sediments or excessive coarse sediments parentheses rocks, large shell fragments, et cetera are observed, while sand is being placed on the beach, dredging of that portion of the borrow area must be terminated immediately and the dredge must be moved from that location.

Administrator Kerr: I just do not know if that is their permit. I do not know if their permits --

Council Member Pierce: This is a South Carolina critical area permitting regulation. I think it should apply to anybody. I hope it would apply to the Army Corps.

Administrator Kerr: We, I can just tell you, we cannot, the City cannot regulate the Federal government when it comes to zoning,

Council Member Pierce: Can get some help on this stuff?

Council Member Cohen: Can we contact DES and ask them?

Administrator Kerr: They are well aware.

Council Member Cohen: They are. And what is their?

Administrator Kerr: I have not heard or seen of any enforcement action on it. I could, I will certainly ask tomorrow if they have

Council Member Bogosian: They have because we authorized them to pump the sand there. So why cannot we unauthorized and pump the sand? I mean, I do not get this.

Mayor Pounds: You have asked them; supposedly they are moving their dredge, right, to a better area.

Administrator Kerr: Yes, they indicated that they moved the pipe to it. They stop pumping that area. They moved the pipe to a new area with better material. I do not know. It was not clear to me that the material that I saw coming out today was better than probably what it was four or five days ago.

Council Member Pierce: Shouldn't we ask them to stop until we get somebody on board here that can take a look at this stuff and find out? Do we need to clean it up? Is this going to be a permanent damage to the beach? And, why would we continue to it is been going on for three weeks, why would we continue to spew this clay into our waterway? It is ruining the recreational beach. Guess I will ask Council that. Shouldn't we do something about this?

Council Member Miller: Yes, I mean, it is supposed to be a beneficial use project, right? This is not benefiting us at all.

Administrator Kerr: The only downside of that I am aware of is I think it is very possible that future Army Corps projects would not happen on the Isle of Palms. And I do not, maybe that is a maybe that is the Council has had an experience that they do not want to have those future projects, But they have they have indicated to us that projects like the project that Cottrell did, that appears to be much better sand, done quickly, could be done as frequently as every two years. We talked about the sand quantity problem we have on that end of the beach. We also looked at revenue projections that we do not have enough money to cover the needed sand that we expect to need on that end of the beach. So I think we would be potentially severing a partnership.

Council Member Pierce: They are two unrelated issues. I mean, one is that they're pumping. It is Ahtna, is it? So, this is the contractor that I, or Jacob said they have been having issues with since the beginning of their relationship. And for some reason, they are still here and they are the ones that are pumping this discharge onto our beaches.

Council Member Bogosian: I guess to me, I do not know why it would ruin a relationship to say we do not want mud pumped on our beach. I mean, any logical person would look at that and say that is not good. I mean, you did. You said this is not good. So they should look at it and say, you know what? That is not good. I ought to stop it, but they are not doing it. So we ought to say you know what? Stop it. And if that ruins a relationship, maybe we do not need that relationship. I mean it is pretty common sense to me.

Council Member Miars: Who are we talking to: When you say I talked to them yesterday

Administrator Kerr: The Army Corps project manager.

Council Member Miars: And that is an Army Corps person is in charge of both dredgers

Administrator Kerr: Correct.

Council Member Miars And has this person seen the beach?

Administrator Kerr: Yes, yeah, he said.

Council Member Miars: And does he agree that it is bad?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Miars: So it is his project. I mean, this project is being run by the Army Corps. So, this is like he's like the developer

Administrator Kerr: Project Manager.

Council Member Miars: Project manager over the contractors, and he cannot do something?

Administrator Kerr: He is having them move their, where they are dredging from, and he has had them move the pipe out to being farther out below the low water line. And they are bulldozing the silt, as they call it, out to an area below the water line. That has been their solution to the issue

Council Member Streetman: But they are still actively pumping sand as they're doing that?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Streetman: Okay, from same area?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Pierce: So which end of the pipe did they move? Just the discharge pipe?

Administrator Kerr: Both ends.

Council Member Pierce: Well, it sounds to me like what they have done, and I mean I saw them move the pipe out. They were just getting it out and they were dumping this mud and clay in an area. We just barely could not see it. So it is almost like they are building our mud groin out there. This is. Are they going to clean this up?

Administrator Kerr: I think their solution now is to is to push it out below the water line.

Mayor Pounds: So, I wonder if it is worth another Army Corps conversation tomorrow. Give Council feedback.

Council Member Pierce: Is Cottrell fine? Cottrell is doing okay, right?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Pierce: They have got quality. Then why do not we just ask them to shut the other one down? I do not know how that ruins the relationship. I think it just, is it Jacob that you're talking to?

Administrator Kerr: Yes.

Council Member Pierce: If Jacob thinks it is a problem, we have got a real cleanup issue on our hands. It is not a small thing and if they are just putting this up and dumping it out into the water, that is just relocating the problem. That is a permanent problem. So, I guess I would ask that they stop that one contractor until we figure out what we can do about it. They keep pumping that onto our beaches. It is not what we should be doing.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, it may be that we can, I think by their estimation, Ahtna is there for two more weeks? So maybe we just say, hey, if what we have left, maybe they have done enough. Maybe the Army Corps can deal with two less weeks of clearing out their spoils area. I have to think that they have 95% of the material out. So maybe they would be agreeable.

Council Member Pierce: They are incentivized to dump this stuff because it is coming out of the spoils area. Is that what I am hearing?

Administrator Kerr: Yes, the project has always been to --

Council Member Pierce: But they also told us it was going to be beach compatible sand.

Administrator Kerr: Well, they were very honest with us and told us there would be some material better than others, and the material that is not great we would put out into the water. They have always been, every meeting they have had with us, they made that crystal clear.

Council Member Pierce: I guess the definition of not great, and what we are saying is, I would not put that even in a not great category. This is not even close to being beach compatible. They should not be putting it on our beach.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah, and I think they would say if it is not beach sand, it should be out in the waterway.

Mayor Pounds: Again, what about a conversation with Army Corps tomorrow? Council feedback, if they cannot guarantee that they are going to get back to some level of beach quality sand that we ask them to stop.

Council Member Miller: In my opinion, part of the problem is that they are really not monitoring. Or they are monitoring it, seeing that it is not beach compatible and saying, oh well, just keep pumping. You know, I do not know if they moved the dredge then once you told them. You know what I mean? But if that project manager is out there, he should see it.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah.

Council Member Miller: So yeah, they should stop now.

Council Member Bogosian: I do not know if we need a motion or vote on it, but I think we should go there to the project manager at Army Corps and tell him we do not want any more mud pumped on the beach. And if they see if they cannot guarantee or get us good sand, then we do not want it anymore. And if you see it pumping mud, you stop. We do not want any more mud.

Mayor Pounds: I just think that is the conversation with Army Corps tomorrow.

Council Member Pierce: I think we should be clear about this. I think we should make a motion that if we cannot be ensured that we are going to get beach compatible sand on our beach, then they should desist pumping whatever they are pumping on our beach.

Council Member Ward: I think we need to have a conversation with them first before we do something radical.

Council Member Miars: Why have we not had that? I mean, I feel like we have had that conversation.

Mayor Pounds: And they moved the dredge. Yeah.

Council Member Miars: And for the past three weeks. It does not seem like the conversations that we are having are being very successful, and I do not know why that is.

Council Member Bogosian: Does anybody here agree that we ought to keep pumping sand on the beach? If not, then we ought to tell them to stop.

Council Member Miars: At the same time, does anybody know? Has anyone actually done an analysis on this material to determine what it is and where it is going to go and where it is settling? And what I mean,

do we have anybody on our behalf looking at this to say that this is good or bad? Or are we just like closing our eyes and hoping for the best?

Council Member Cohen: Well, that was kind of why I was asking about like if DES was aware of this. Again, I do not know if this is normal for this type of activity, and we just were seeing a something midstream and do not know what it is going to turn out to be or like you, I do not know if this is good or bad. And is this normal for this type of activity? And what will it look like you know three months from now? But I do not know who you would ask other than the Corps or DES?

Council Member Streetman: It sounds like they do not have an effective process that they go through to evaluate what is actually being pumped on the beach day to day. That somebody is not really looking at that. They have told us repeatedly that there may be some of this material that comes up, it is not beach compatible, it is not going to be good sand, I mean, I do not know where we go from here. I do not think the state agency is going to step in and do anything, but you know, with the federal government, and I think if we are not careful, we are going to sever a potential relationship with the Army Corps of Engineers that we may need in the future.

Council Member Miars: But I mean, if they told us that they were going to give us X and they are giving us Y. I mean, let's just pretend that this was something terrible, like this was oil. You know, just to make this ridiculous but an example. I mean, then we would have to stop them. You know, like and that is I do not know enough about this material to know if this is ten years from now, if it is going to turn into wonderful typical Isle of Palms sand or if it is going to go into Breach Inlet or if it is going to still be sitting here like a rock I mean, I do not know that. But I would think that somebody who does this for a living would be able to tell us more information.

Council Member Streetman: For \$10 million, we could build a groin.

Council Member Pierce: You got it. And my issue is not that we were going to get occasional spew come out of the pipe. It is that we are not doing anything about it after three weeks.

Administrator Kerr: I do think, and this is just my opinion, I think they are trying to get that material seaward of the low water line. I believe what is happening is the way you know it is getting moved around, it is getting pushed back up. So we see tractor treads pushing it out and then we see rollers in. So I do not think they are not doing anything. I think it is probably maybe. not effective, and it is a it is material that they told us they would put below the water line. And I think at this point it is it is worse than what we had anticipated.

Council Member Streetman: You know, we have had a long time relationship with Folly Beach. I wonder if this happens on a routine basis over there?

Council Member Bogosian: They are not getting dredge material.

Mayor Pounds: They are going offshore and not spoil sites.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah we have definitely dealt with pockets of rollers, they call them, but I do not think anything like this.

Council Member Pierce: Yeah, they started coming up on the 2018 and I think they just moved the source, and it was taken care of.

Council Member Streetman: I guess the question is at what point is beneficial use not beneficial? To me, you got to have a conversation before we take a vote. I mean, that is where I am at.

Mayor Pounds: I think you give Army Corps feedback tomorrow on where this council is.

Administrator Kerr: Yep. So I guess the easiest is they say we are close enough to finish. We will wrap it up. No hard feelings. We will go our separate ways. Maybe another possible thing that happens is they say, okay, that was another bad cell. We will move to this cell. Maybe they say, we have been putting it just seaward of the low water mark. We will put it a quarter mile out to sea. You want me to just see what their solution is, report it back?

Council Member Bogosian: I mean that is okay except that if their answer is anything remotely close that we are going to continue to pump these things on the beach, whether you like it or not, I do not want to wait another month of this stuff coming on the beach. We would, somehow we are going to have to take some action if that is the answer. I mean, to me, I do not want this stuff on the beach anymore. So, they have got to find a solution, whether it is pumping it out, and doing whatever, but it cannot be an answer yeah, we are going to continue to put this stuff on the beach.

Council Member Pierce: Can we also ask Jacob one more thing? Can we have somebody watch what is going on a daily basis. So we you know we are we are the quality control. It is either a resident, it is a visitor, it is a property owner, it is me on the beach.

Administrator Kerr: I will say they are and it is not Jacob. Jacob is the engineer in the office, but they do have a team of Army Corps observers that are I think daily seeing the work. They, and they have had a lot of issues with Ahtna, and those observers have seen those. I mean, it is not that it is going undetected. There are definitely a lot of Army Corps people at play and involved with the project. It just so happens that Jacob is the engineer in the office that we interface with, and he is aware of it. So we are going reach out. We will just let you know. Do you all, I guess it would be hard for me to anticipate what the response is going to be. I guess if it is if it is to John's point, if it is. I think I have heard if the solution is we are not doing anything, we need to keep pumping, I would then figure out how to sever the relationship.

Council Member Pierce: I think it is just the one contractor though; the other contractors are doing fine.

Administrator Kerr: Yeah.

Council Member Miars: And they have admitted to having problems with them for ever. I do not, I mean, if general contractor is having this many issues with the sub, I do not think they would let them just keep. It is like the it is like the sub is running the show. Are we afraid of these people?

Administrator Kerr: This is really not a problem with Ahtna in that the material was bad. Army Corps has directed them to clear out the spoils area, and it is this material is in that area they have been in. So it is definitely not been good, but this is a product of the material they've been paid to move.



**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
5:00pm, Tuesday, March 10, 2026
City Hall Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Streetman, Miller, Bogosian, Ward, Carroll, Pierce, Miars, Cohen, and Mayor Pounds

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, various department heads

2. Citizens' Comments -- none

Dr. Gary Nestler, 22nd Avenue, spoke about the wage and compensation in relation to the Public Safety departments. He said the high turnover rate is very expensive for the City. He asked the Council to consider 31-38% increases in wages and to establish a Public Safety Advocacy Committee made up of residents with knowledge of Public Safety.

Ms. Patsy Hindman, Barnacle Row, spoke in favor of higher wages for the Public Safety personnel. She believes the proposed increases are too low and suggested the pay rate begin at \$25/hour. She would like a Public Safety department filled with well-trained and experienced personnel.

Ms. Carolyn Anderson, Oyster Row, also spoke in favor of higher wages for first responders. She distributed data related to turnover to Council members. She noted that many first responders travel far distances to work on the Isle of Palms. She supports Council Member Ward's suggestion of pay rates above the 70th percentile. She said safety is more important than sand.

Ms. Tracey Marks, speaking on behalf of the Building Department clerks, asked City Council to consider fair compensation for all employees. She would like to see a balanced approach to pay increases across all City government departments.

3. Special Presentations – Wage & Compensation Study – Allie Crumpler, Evergreen

Allie Crumpler of Evergreen Solutions presented a compensation study conducted for the City as of November 2025, aimed at improving recruitment and retention by ensuring pay equity. The analysis revealed that while the City's pay plan design is consistent, employee compensation lags behind the market. Approximately 75% of employees are paid below their pay range midpoint.

On average, pay ranges for general/administrative staff are 9% below the market median, while Public Safety is 4-6% below. The City's pay ranges are also narrower than its peer communities, leading to a loss of competitive ground from minimum to maximum salary levels.

Evergreen Solutions recommended implementing updated pay plans for all employee groups, with a total estimated cost of approximately \$638,000. For Public Safety, a "step-to-step" placement was recommended, and for General/Administrative staff, a "current range placement." An alternative "discounted" option capping raises at 15% would lower the cost to \$556,000.

Council members Pierce, Bogosian, and Cohen expressed concern about the study's methodology, particularly for senior positions, as they believe it compares Isle of Palms to much larger municipalities like Charleston without proper weighting, creating "apples, oranges, and bananas" comparisons. Evergreen agreed to have the data re-run with differential weighting.

Council members Ward and Streetman would like to see pay scales in the 80th and 90th percentiles.

It was noted that a COLA had not been applied since the last wage & compensation study, which contributed to City salaries falling behind market.

Council members spoke in favor of incorporating the education and certification incentives proposed by Chief Cornett and Chief Oliverius.

Chief Cornett said the current 25-step program is fine for him, but newer officers need 28 steps. He believes the additional educational and certification incentives will help with recruiting. Chief Oliverius agreed more steps are needed as many qualified employees "age out" and can't go higher in steps. He agreed that a step program is helpful for employees to see their pay progression but would like to see an increase in the percentage of each step.

Council Member Pierce would like to look at the turnover data for each department at the next Administration Committee meeting. The Administration Committee will also look at the newly weighted data for General/Administrative positions.

Council Member Cohen would like to see a CPI-adjustment added to all pay scales going forward. Council Member Bogosian agreed, adding going "forward on the whole compensation that our ranges change annually based on whatever the COLA is. And COLA should be tied some index, not us arbitrarily picking what we think cost of living is."

4. Dashboard of City Operations and Short-Term Rental Report

Administrator Kerr said the City is still looking to fill the Human Resources Director position as well as 2 police officers, 1 Communications Specialist, and 3 paramedic vacancies.

He explained the change to the short-term rental data as prepared by Director Hamilton and Council Member Miller.

5. Departmental Reports

6. Financial Review

Financial Statements and project worksheets

Director Hamilton presented the financial report through February, forecasting increased General Fund revenues from property taxes and permits but decreased hospitality tax performance. She shared the circumstances driving the forecast for each fund. The City has deferred several capital projects, including the hiring of a beach resilience officer and dredging at the marina, to manage expenses. A reconciliation sheet for cash and fund balances was provided, and it was noted that 92% of the city's \$54 million in cash is restricted. A placeholder for employee pay plan adjustments of \$638,000 (approx. \$880,000 fully loaded) is in the current budget draft.

Expense increases were noted for vehicle maintenance and utilities. Director Hamilton said the budget includes an anticipated 13% increase in energy costs from Dominion Energy.

Director Hamilton explained a revised cash needs sheet: "We tried to list out all the capital expenses that were budgeted for this year, Kind of show where we are year to date and then show where we are projected to land with those expenses. and then at the top of the page, these are where the fund balances are projecting to land for the next four years."

7. Procurement

Administrator Kerr said the budgeted expenditure for the 1100 Toter cans will be voted on at the March 24 meeting. He noted that the rot and termite infestation in City Hall is being treated and is within budget for repairs to the building.

8. Capital Projects Update

Administrator Kerr reported that Bastian Group has started work at 21st Avenue and will work the project in sections. Their schedule plans for an early July completion. They do not expect any road closures. He notified City Council they have become aware of a conflict with the flood barrier wall with a force main at 36th Avenue and a change order will come before them at their March 24 meeting.

Staff will discuss the future of the Phase 4 drainage project at tomorrow's budget meeting.

Council Member Miller asked if the new Waterway Boulevard path will permit golf carts. Chief Cornett said golf carts may not be on the path unless City Council designates it as a golf cart path.

Administrator Kerr said there are two options for the marina dredging project: The City can wait for the marina neighbors to be ready for their portion of the project and share in mobilization costs, or they can complete their portion of the project on their own. The Public Services & Facilities Committee recommends the City move forward with their portion of the project as the savings is not that great if they wait for the neighbors to be ready.

Staff continues to work on securing the easements needed for the beach renourishment project.

Administrator Kerr said of the muddy areas on the beach: “The Army Corps is working with us. Their contractor on a change order to do that work. There was an amount. It sounds like the amount is beyond their scope that was in their existing contract, so they are having some contractual discussions about that now. We were out, the staff was out, and Robert was out this morning. There are two very dense pockets of muddy material. We think that those dense pockets are breaking up and contributing more to the rollers that are that are spread out down there. So we do think that it would be prudent for the City to initiate just a quick project” to clean up the muddy areas.

USACE and Ahtna will clean up the clay rollers. Administrator Kerr said that the area will be cleaned ahead of the renourishment project starting.

9. Old Business

A. Discussion on marina parking lot lease amendments

Administrator Kerr said the Public Services & Facilities Committee recommends allowing the restaurant tenants to upgrade the marina parking lot in exchange for relief on rent overages for 2026 and 2027. The proposed plan includes some minor work in the City’s greenspace area. The parking lot improvements remain in the FY27 budget until further discussion.

Council Member Ward expressed concerns about bartering arrangements.

B. Discussion on borrowing vs. direct expenditure for beach renourishment

More discussion about these options will happen at Wednesday’s budget workshop.

C. Update on beach renourishment easements

Administrator Kerr said the easement agreements will be mailed to property owners next week. They are being contacted via email and regular mail. There will be a workshop for property owners regarding the easements on April 2 at the Recreation Center.

D. Update on escrow agreement with WDCA

WDCA returned the final draft of the escrow agreement with some comments. The attorney is working on it and more will be forthcoming.

10. New Business

A. Discussion of education and certification incentives

Administrator Kerr referenced proposed education and certification incentives for Public Safety staff compiled by Chief Cornett and Chief Oliverius. Chief Cornett said the cap is standard practice. He explained to City Council how the incentives will be applied for both officers and administrative staff.

B. Discussion on City Attorney letter of engagement

Administrator Kerr reported to Council that the City Attorney's hourly rate is increasing from \$295/hour to \$325/hour.

C. Discussion on Beach Resilience Officer position

Administrator Kerr said the Administration Committee recommends the City pause on this position for the time being. This position, along with two additional police officers, remain in the proposed FY27 budget until further discussion by full Council.

11. Legislative Report

Mayor Pounds said the House started budget conversations today.

12. Adjournment

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
4:30pm, Tuesday, March 10, 2026
City Hall Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Streetman, Miller, Bogosian, Ward, Carroll, Pierce, Miars, Cohen, and Mayor Pounds

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, various department heads

2. Executive Session

MOTION: Mayor Pounds made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive legal advice and status updates on pending legal claims pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

City Council entered into Executive Session at 4:31pm.

City Council returned from Executive Session at 4:50pm.

Mayor Pounds said no decisions were made.

MOTION: Council Member Bogosian made a motion to authorize MASC to settle the claim on behalf of the City of the Isle of Palms as discussed in Executive Session. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Adjournment

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



Special City Council Committee Meeting

1:00pm, Wednesday, March 11, 2026

City Hall

Council Chambers

1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Council members Streetman, Pierce, Carroll, Ward, Bogosian, Miars, Miller, Cohen, and Mayor Pounds

Staff present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, Director Hamilton, various department heads

2. Purpose – Discussion of FY27 Budget

A. Review Revenue and Expenditure Assumptions

Administrator Kerr reviewed the budget assumptions included in the proposed FY27 budget:

Revenue assumptions:

- tourism revenue (municipal, State, and beach) – 2% increase based on trailing 12 months
- hospitality tax – 1.5% increase based on trailing 12 months
- business license, residential rental licenses, building permits, and parking – 1% increase based on trailing 12 months
- insurance licenses and public utilities – 3% increase based on trailing 12 months
- other revenues – 0.5% - 2% increase based on trailing 12 months

Operating expense assumptions:

- increase of 1%-3% of trailing 12 months
- electric and gas – 13% increase based on trailing 12 months

Personnel expense assumptions:

- includes recommendations from Evergreen Study
- includes three new positions – (2) Police Officers, (1) Resilience Officer
- includes 2.8% COLA and 3% merit increase.

B. Review of Key Budget Initiatives

Major initiative expenses included in the proposed budget:

- Beach renourishment - \$15,400,000
- Drainage Projects - \$3,925,000 (Palm Blvd. between 38th and 41st avenues)
- Fire Ladder Truck - \$2,500,000

- Fire Rescue Boat - \$300,000 (only upon receipt of a grant)
- Public Works Loader - \$454,000
- AI traffic signal - \$100,000
- Dune walkovers - \$265,000 (State funding requested)
- Bulkhead recoating - \$450,000
- Marina Dredging - \$700,000 (State funding secured)
- Marina restaurant parking lot - \$500,000 (could be paid from overage)

Administrator Kerr confirmed that the \$800,000 remaining from the Marina Dredging grant can be used for beach dredging or the marina bulkhead recoating. At the moment, it appears as part of beach funding.

Administrator Kerr said staff will need direction from City Council on the use of the parking lot overages to pay for the restaurant parking lot.

C. Review of Revenue Growth and Reduction Options

Staff offered areas of possible revenue growth:

- City-Controlled Options– 15% increase to parking, license, and permit fees; \$200 user fee per dwelling; millage adjustment, new paid beach parking
- State-Controlled Options – pursue change to real estate transfer laws; pursue change to ATAX laws, pursue change to Municipal Improvement District Act; pursue change to allow municipal sales tax percent

City controlled cost reduction options include: pursuit of sand retention methods, support USACE beach and shoal projects, delay drainage projects, and freeze on adding positions.

Director Hamilton said a 1 mil increase results in \$338,000 additional revenue. The proposed \$200 user fee would be added onto the already existing \$150 user fee.

Council Member Bogosian asked the advantage of a user fee over a mil increase. Administrator Kerr answered, “The thought would be does a valuable house, is it philosophically correct for a valuable property owner to pay more to use the beach than somebody with a less valuable house? Are they impacting the beach at the same level, and if so, there would be a rationale for having it be a flat fee. If you felt like it's just a philosophical question as to how you establish that amount, but that would be the basis.”

Administrator Kerr and Mayor Pounds noted those expenses and State-controlled growth options that the City’s lobbyists are pursuing on the City’s behalf. Council Member Pierce would like estimated annual financial impacts for the State-controlled revenue options, where possible.

Council Member Bogosian would like the projected \$400,000 in annual savings taken off the cost of the future renourishment project.

Mayor Pounds suggested an increase in the franchise fees for the next draft of the budget.

D. Revenue and expense review by Department and by Fund

Mayor Pounds noted that this proposed budget has the City paying cash for the beach renourishment project, taking on debt for the fire truck, leaving \$40 million in fund balances at the end of the year.

Council Member Bogosian said he sees “a lot of problems” with the budget, noting that since 2022, expenses have been increasing faster than revenues. He said this pattern is unsustainable.

Council Member Pierce requested a return to last year’s formatting showing expenses as part of revenues, adding that expenses are growing at “two-and-a-half times our revenues.” He would also like an accurate headcount of staff.

Council Member Pierce said, “I would challenge Douglas yourself and the teams to see if you can right the ship for us going forward.”

Director Hamilton replied, “This budget is based on what we currently have. Of course, we do not have revenue to sustain increases in in personnel, increases in large CapEx projects, increases in a beach renourishment every eight years. So we are working with what we have. If Council directs staff on where these additional revenues are coming from, then of course we will build them into the budget. But if we do not have additional revenues to report or even estimate, yeah we can increase our percentages, but that is only going to give us but so much money. That is only going to get us but so far. The City has always been very conservative in budgeting revenues, sometimes not even budgeting a percentage over, sometimes going under, and with that, we have increased, this budget shows that we are increasing. We are still being conservative, but we are increasing. No one has the answers of where the City will land or how we would even get to where we need to be. We can only project based on history, which we feel like we are trying to do a pretty adequate job in determining that the percentages will increase, but expenses are rising. And yes, as you both have pointed out, they are rising. They are increasing way above what our revenue, what we are currently taking in in revenue. So, we need to make some decisions. We can go through this line by line and see what the City can cut, see what the City can add, or see what you think is the best approach. But we have to start somewhere.”

Council Member Ward said it is the job of City Council to direct staff on changes to the budget.

Mayor Pounds said he would prefer a millage increase to cover the increased employee expense. Council Member Miller said expenses need to be tightened up.

Director Hamilton noted that the largest expense are in Capital Projects. She pointed out that department heads cut where they could and have kept their proposed FY27 expenses at a flat rate or with a small increase.

Discussion ensued about the possibility of delaying the drainage project along Palm Boulevard. It was decided that the project will be spread out over time at a cadence staff thinks can be matched with grant funding.

Chief Cornett spoke to the need for two additional officers: “First thing, we are tasked with supporting and ensuring safety for not only our residents, but the thousands of people that come across every day across the Isle of Palms Connector, across the Hunley Bridge through Sullivan's Island. We have seen that population or the population in the Charleston area significantly increase just in the seven years that I have been here, and we have not added a law enforcement officer position in twenty years, is the last time we added a police officer. As a matter of fact, we have to budget to hire an off-duty deputy. And that in itself says that we do not have enough people if we have to budget to add something for that. The other part of this is we want the highly trained officers that we have. To do that, they have to go to training. And because they have so many people that come to the island, and so many events that take place on the island, we have to tax them by working those different duties and those different days. What happens is they wind up working so much, they are not getting to enjoy their time off. Oftentimes when

they are off, they are being called back in. And so we are overworking our employees and not giving them the ability to be able to go seek that advanced training that we need them to have so that we have the best. That helps with retention too. By adding these two, we give the ability for them to take their time off, to enjoy their time off. That is needed because I need them because we have to be able to make a decision in a split second that takes away somebody's rights, their life. And, if we are not rested and we are not prepared to do that mentally because we have worked too much, then we put ourselves in a risky situation. So, this helps us to mitigate some of that risk by ensuring they have downtime, ensuring they are getting that advanced training, and that in itself will help with retention and keeping the officers longer. Right now, we lose some because they work quite frequently. And during the summer, our guys work pretty much every weekend. They work, you have seen it on Fourth of July. I come in at seven in the morning. I do not go home until one o'clock in the morning. And I am not the only one. There are several of us that are coming in and working all day long to make those things happen. And that is just one day out of a long weekend, and that is something we do every weekend during the summer. So we are really working our folks really hard. This will give us a chance to give them that rest and give them that time to train.”

Council members supported the addition of two more police officers and pausing on hiring a Resilience Officer.

Council briefly discussed whether or not to take on debt for the fire truck. Mayor Pounds reminded Council that their lobbyists are seeking funding for the truck on both State and Federal levels. Council Member Bogosian expressed a preference to finance the purchase of the truck but would like to see the trade-in value added into the budget. Mayor Pounds agreed with a millage increase for the truck, adding they will know before the start of FY27 whether or not a grant will be given.

Discussion ensued as to how to address the Evergreen recommendations in the budget. Council discussed the cumulative impact of multiple payroll increases on the FY27 budget, totaling an estimated \$1.5 million to \$1.7 million. This includes the Evergreen compensation study adjustments (initially modeled at the 60th percentile), a planned January COLA, and associated fringe benefits. Mayor Pounds noted that the 60th percentile figure is a placeholder and will be refined by the Administration Committee. They also debated whether to include potential incentives in this initial calculation.

Administrator Kerr and Director Hamilton will work backwards from the total projected personnel cost increase to calculate the necessary millage rate increase to cover it. This will be presented in the next budget draft.

Monies for the sand retention methods and the marina parking lot will be left as they are for the next draft of the budget.

Council members Pierce and Bogosian provided suggestions to avoid showing a negative balance in the Beach Preservation Fund.

Council Member Pierce requested that the next draft of the budget include showing fund balances before transfers, showing personnel expenses as a percentage of the General Fund expenses, showing growth rates of revenues and expenses, and a schedule showing “department by spend source and fund use.”

3. Adjournment

The next Budget Workshop will be held on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 1pm.

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Council Member Miller seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk

Public Comments - 2/20/26 - 3/20/26

<u>Date Submitted</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Comments for Council Meeting</u>	<u>Intended For:</u>
3/19/2026	Sue Cotton	2 Sand Dollar Dr, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451	<p>I am once again raising concern for first responder pay. I am appalled as I have sat through several meetings where facts have been shared regarding the number of first responders are leaving for neighboring communities that are offering better pay and benefits. We are losing talent and experience at alarming rates. Skills that are necessary to protect and serve our community. We are not only losing experience, we are wasting tax payer dollars by training and certifying employees, who then take that experience to neighboring communities. The answer is not to pay our employees 60% of median pay in the area and catch up to our competitors. instead, we need to offer a wage that leads our competitors and makes IOP a destination employer. Minimally, I am asking for an explanation from our council as to the reason for setting pay at a level they already know is not competitive, puts our safety at risk and will not resolve the employee turnover issue. If there was a logical reason or multi year plan, perhaps we could understand and support the cities position on this issue. Unfortunately, there has been no explanation or insight from council, so we will keep asking! Please do not put our city at risk, when you have the only vote to protect us!</p>	City Council

Public Comments - 2/20/26 - 3/20/26

3/1/2026 Steve and Carly B David	709 Palm Blvd, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451	<p>This email is from Steve and Carly David, 709 Palm Blvd. We have , as most of you know, lived here for over 40 years and also own a beach cottage on the corner of Ninth and Ocean. Because of the crummy weather, a vacation, and a busy schedule, we had not been to the beach in over a month. Yesterday we went for a walk, what a shock... that beach isn't the same one that we have been blessed to enjoy for over four decades. Not only has the erosion caused major problems, but it seems that the people in charge have made things even worse. Not only has erosion created serious problems, but it appears there has been a lack of monitoring and oversight for those doing the "fix". Who has been minding the store? Anyone at CSC or the Army Corp of Engineering ? Evidently not. Who from the city was supposed to be the watchdog? Because there was a lack of monitoring or having someone (from anywhere) in charge , the personality of the beach has changed for the worse. Thank goodness that residents, visitors and property owners regularly walk and monitor the beach; they realized that there were problems months ago- before those in charge of dumping the material realized it. It was the islanders that helped to finally stop the dumping of tons and tons of clay balls and pluff mud from the spoils onto the beach. Why did it take so long to protect the island from becoming a dumping ground? Without action now, this dumping material can permanently damage the beach. In just a short time, the beach does not look the same, feel the same, or smell the same; from around Ninth to the south, the topography has totally changed. Until recently there was a gradual slope from the dunes to the water, and now it is characterized by hills and dangerous gullies and holes. The sand is no longer the soft, beautiful sand that our beaches are known for; in fact, it is unstable and hard to walk through (our shoes have what feels like cement harden on them), and the debris up and down the island is filthy with thousands of black balls of "something" mixed throughout the whole area. In addition, we live on Hamlin Creek and something is going sideways there as well...is anyone with knowledge monitoring Hamlin Creek? We raised concerns about the creek months ago. As long-time citizens of this island, we are concerned that the status of the beach and Hamlin Creek is so uncertain. The beach along with the waterway is the main artery of the island and the foremost reason why people live and visit here. Obviously, we understand that nature is unpredictable , but we need to have SOMEONE in charge that understands that when conditions are deteriorating, he/she needs to act quickly. Being proactive is not an option, it is a priority . Isn't it ironic that we are now thinking of raising taxes partly because of mismanagement of the project itself?</p>	City Council
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Public Comments - 2/20/26 - 3/20/26

2/24/2026	Mrs. Cherylee Vanderham	302 Ocean Blvd, Isle Of Palms, South Carolina 29451	On behalf of many of my neighbors, I am here to ask that the city bring in Folt Olsen to oversee the renourishment project and calculate the amount of sand needed for a true Renourishment on the Southern beaches of Isle of Palms. As you all know, the southern beaches have never had a major renourishment. The 600k cubic yards of renourishment scheduled for the southern beaches in 2018 and Required under the conditions of the permit never happened even though CSE's data continued to show erosional cycles for this area. Public funds allocated for the 600k cubic yards were never returned. Now, once again we hear that CSE is reducing the amount of sand for the southern public beaches. They justify it with the Army Corp spoils being an offset. As is obvious, the Army Corp material is not only not beach compatible but appears to contain clay, oil, and sludge that is illegal and certainly not held on the beaches. We ask that the city not entrust a \$30 million project to CSE that has been consistently wrong. It also does not make sense that Folt Olsen is not involved in the short-term major renourishment when they have been entrusted to find the long-term solution.	City Council
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Public Comments - 2/20/26 - 3/20/26

2/24/2026 Mr. Ronald Vanderham	302 Ocean Blvd, Isle Of Palms, South Carolina 29451	<p>For those that do not walk the beachfront regularly I have inserted pictures of the sad state of our ocean front beach. They show the reality of the unsupervised distribution of muck by the Army Corps Beneficial Use Project. By The Army Corps continued public announcements to the Isle of Palms City Council, this Beneficial Use is NOT considered beach renourishment. The South Carolina statute amended in 2018 that shifted policy from a “forty-year retreat” toward a “beach preservation” focus, which emphasizes replenishment and renourishment, is SECTION 48-39-280 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. The city administration is still acting like we are under the law of retreat. Key details of this 2018 change include: Retreat to Preservation Baseline Freeze: Act 173 stopped the seaward movement of the state’s jurisdictional baseline (which dictates where building is allowed), freezing it at the position established in 2018/2018, or 2019, rather than allowing it to continue moving toward the ocean. Primary Dune Definition: The 2018 Act provided new criteria for editing “primary oceanfront sand dunes” used to determine the legal, non-moving baseline. This change was enacted though Act 173 of 2018, known as the Beachfront management Reform Acty (originally introduced as H.4683), which was signed into LAW on Matt 3, 2018. The Statue that the legislature use for all definitions of renourishment are Section 48-38-10, Section 48-39-270, Section 48-39-280 Section 48-40-10(3). According to the South Carolina Beach Restoration and Improvement Trust Act (Bill 282, 2023-2024) Key details regarding this requirement include: Definition: “Beach renourishment” is defined as the artificial establishment and periodic renourishment of a beach with sand that is compatible with the existing beach ini a way so as to create a dry sand beach at all stages of the tide..to include where considered appropriate and necessary by the office, groin construction and maintenance to extend the life of such project., as outlined in Section 48-39-270. Purpose: This requirement, part of the Beachfront Management Acty 48-39-250 et seq., is intended to maintain a recreational beach and functional habitat. Sand Compatibility: The added material must match the grain size and composition of the existing natural beach. Dry Sand Beach: The project must be designed to maintain a visible beach even at high tide. At the last council meeting a representative from CSE said the south end is improving. That is not accurate. We have not had a dry sand beach at high tide for many months. The sand has migrated to the inlet and created a secondary channel now almost running the length of the ocean from from the inlet to almost 3rd ave. This secondary channel is cutting high tides closer to the existing properties. It will continue down the whole length of the ocean front as the Engineer Report from independent source indicated to the City Council. It was presented to the council from this report that the particle of sand being pumped onto the beach is not beach compatible and NOT capable of building a dune with due to the size particle. The creek side residents have raised their objections to this Beneficial Use project. The Inlet is being saturated by the sand and muck being pumped and washed out into the ocean and filling the Inlet. It has made it impossible for the Hamlin Creed Side residents to even take their boats out due to the migrating amount of sand. This whole project has been a benefit to the Army Corp. It has not benefited the ocean front beaches. No one has supervised the project. The Army Corp Representative at the council meeting admitted that the particle size was not ideal and smaller than expected. If so why wasn’t the project stopped until the right size particle could be</p>	City Council
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Public Comments - 2/20/26 - 3/20/26

2/24/2026 Mr. and Mrs. Jeff and Susan Jacobs	606 Ocean Blvd, Isle of Palms, South Carolina 29451	<p>We write with concerns about the ongoing placement of material on the beach. Over the last few months, the contractor has been pumping in the 5th to 6th St. area. They started pumping onto the beach and then transitioned directly into the surf. We understand this was done to "clean" the material as there was so much silt, mud balls and substandard i.e. not beach quality sand being dredged. Evidence of the silt has clearly manifested itself as the tidal action has moved much of it into Morgan Creek, making it practically unnavigable. We know this is called a 'Beneficial Use Program' and it has turned out to be beneficial for the Army Corps as they have emptied their spoil storage areas, which were supposed to have beach quality sand, but turned out to be substandard. We would like to see the city have independent sampling and assessment to the quality of the sand. If it is found to be too silty, it is our understanding that even the City's experts have said it will not remain and perform as expected. Furthermore, we have heard there is discussion of considering this material placement as part of the cubic yards for the upcoming renourishment from offshore. This cannot be part of the total if the underlying sand contributes to more rapid erosion than if proper quality sand was used. Regarding the discussion of sand placement at the South end, specifically the six or so houses referred to at the last meeting, we feel it is not right to place sand at the escarpment. One of two things should be done: the preference is to replace the sand and build a new dune, so the entire strip has similar distance from home to primary dune. Alternatively, keep the dunes equidistant and allow the homeowners to fill in the sand between the dune and the escarpment. From what have heard from the experts, Breach inlet is the most active inlet in SC, yet it has never been studied. It is clear that the sand that now virtually creates a land bridge to Sullivan's Island at low tide, came from Isle of Palms. We think it is in everyone's best interest to get the inlet study done so longer-term solutions, like dredging the inlet or even hardening it as has been done on inlets farther north, can be done. In conclusion, the Beach Management Act clearly confirms the State's position is "resilience" and not "retreat" as some agencies promote. Resilience plans affect everyone on the island, especially their insurance. It is very clear that the economic impact of having a dry beach at high tide is huge. The American Shore & Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA) https://asbpa.org/ emphasizes the economic benefits of wide, dry beaches through nourishment projects, which counteract erosion and boost tourism. These beaches generate massive returns, with beach tourists producing about \$3,000 in economic output, \$1,400 in direct spending, and \$200 in taxes for every \$1 invested in nourishment. Nourishment ROI Examples: Nationally, taxes from beach tourists exceed total historical nourishment spending by over 4x. In Miami Beach, post-nourishment tourists yield \$550 in taxes and \$3,900 in GDP per \$1 spent, transforming it from economic decline to a top destination. Wide dry beaches also save billions in storm damage. As for the state, they are the beneficiaries of the Atax, but have not supported the renourishment effort. It is our hope the lobbyists are pressing that, but with only 4 coastal community representatives, we recognize the unfortunate fact that the other representatives just don't care. We recommend IOP joins American Shore and Beach Preservation Association. ASBPA.org Part of their efforts to preserve beaches involves funding. As information only, NJ representative Jeff Van Drew recently threw a bill in the hopper for National funding of beach renourishment. This is recognition of how important it is to maintain our beaches. Jeff Van Drew's new bill on national beach renourishment is H.R. 7450, the Coastal Trust Fund Act, introduced on</p>	City Council
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VIA U.S. MAIL

March 18, 2026

Name

Mailing address

Mailing city, ST, ZIP

****IMPORTANT DOCUMENT – ACTION NEEDED****

RE: *Isle of Palms – Beach Renourishment Easement for [property address]*

Dear name:

As you are likely aware, the City is planning to complete a major beach renourishment project during the upcoming spring/summer. The project includes setting up a dredge approximately two miles offshore and pumping up to 2.5 million cubic yards of sand along 19,200 linear feet of beach. While most of the project will happen seaward of the mean high-water line, some portions of the project will take place landward of the mean high-water line, which is privately owned. Details of the project can be seen at www.iop.net/city-managed-beach-restoration-projects.

Because your property is abutting the shoreline and extends out to the mean high-water line, where work is planned to occur, the City is requesting that you provide a temporary two-year easement to allow this work. All work would take place seaward of the State jurisdictional line (South Carolina Department of Environmental Services Bureau of Coastal Management setback line) or the erosional scarp, whichever is farther seaward. This area is shown on the attached easement exhibit.

If owners choose not to execute this easement, the City may not conduct renourishment of the beach adjacent to your property or may not be able to initiate the project at all.

A meeting has been scheduled for **April 2, 2026, at 5pm at the Recreation Center at 24 28th Avenue**. During this event the City will present details of the project, explain the purpose of the easements, answer questions, and provide you an opportunity to execute the easement(s). If you are unable to attend in person, the meeting will be live streamed on the City's YouTube channel here: www.youtube.com/@CityofIsleofPalmsLivestream.

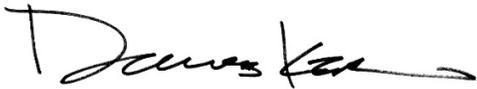
The easement document will need to be signed by the property owner(s) and two separate witnesses in the presence of a notary public. The notary public will also need to sign and stamp the document with a notary seal. Please mail the original signed document (not a copy) in time to have it in the office no later than **April 22, 2026**, to:

*Douglas Kerr
City Administrator
City of Isle of Palms, SC
1207 Palm Boulevard
Isle of Palms, SC 29451*

If you have any questions, please reach out to either the City Administrator, Douglas Kerr at 843-990-7073 / dkerr@iop.net or the Deputy City Administrator, Sean Kuester at 843-990-7072 / skuester@iop.net.

Thank you for your attention and prompt cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas Kerr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Douglas Kerr
City Administrator

contemplated herein; a substantial portion or all of the sand placed on the beaches, dunes or the private property could be washed away by a major storm event or tide; and that the City's work performed hereunder may be delayed, postponed or canceled because of permitting requirements, insufficient funding, acts of God, labor shortages, labor strikes, material shortages, or other factors beyond the reasonable control of City. By performing the work contemplated herein, the City is not committing or guaranteeing that future repair or renourishment work will be performed in the future.

Grantors hereby release the City and its officials, agents, employees, inspectors, contractors and advisers from any and all claims in connection with any dune restoration or beach renourishment work, including but not limited to any claims for personal injury, lost profits, or property damage, which includes property damage caused by erosion or the failure of the City's work described herein to alleviate, eliminate or delay the erosion of Grantor's property.

The Grantors acknowledge that they have carefully read this Easement, that they have consulted, or had the opportunity to consult, an attorney concerning the provisions, conditions and effect of this Easement, that they know and understand the contents of this Easement, and that there is no agreement other than that expressed herein.

Prior, and as a condition to the City commencing any work on the dunes, the Grantors agree to remove at Grantors' expense any boardwalks/pilings (to the extent requested by the City, its agents, or engineers), sand fencing, turf, or any other debris located within the Easement area. Grantors acknowledge and agree that all building debris, including, but not limited to, concrete, turf, wood, glass, sheetrock, or pipes, located on or near the active beach, shall be properly removed and disposed of in accordance with the Project schedule and under the direct supervision of the City's designated agent and in full compliance with all applicable provisions of the Permits. Such debris removal and disposal shall be at the sole expense of the owner of the property where the debris is located.

This Easement shall have no effect on ownership rights, if any, to real property located seaward of the property encumbered by this Easement.

This Easement shall have a term of Two (2) years from the date of execution by the Grantors, and upon expiration at the end of the term, this Easement shall have no further force and effect, except that the release obligations contained herein shall survive the expiration of this Easement. Upon expiration, the Grantors acknowledge and agree that the City shall have no further obligations under the terms of this Easement.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and singular the Easement before mentioned unto the City, its successors and assigns forever.

The above described Easement and covenants shall run with title to the real property subjected to this Easement and shall be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in these described properties or any portion of them. This instrument also binds the respective heirs, devisees, fiduciary representatives, successors, successors in title and/or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of anyone or anything who/which purchases or takes any interest in real property within the lands subject to this Easement.

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NOTE: THESE DRAWINGS AND DESIGNS ARE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND PROTECTED BY INTERNATIONAL COPYRIGHT LAW. DETAILS MUST NOT BE DISCLOSED, REPRODUCED OR COMMUNICATED TO A 3rd PARTY IN ANY FORM OR MANNER WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF
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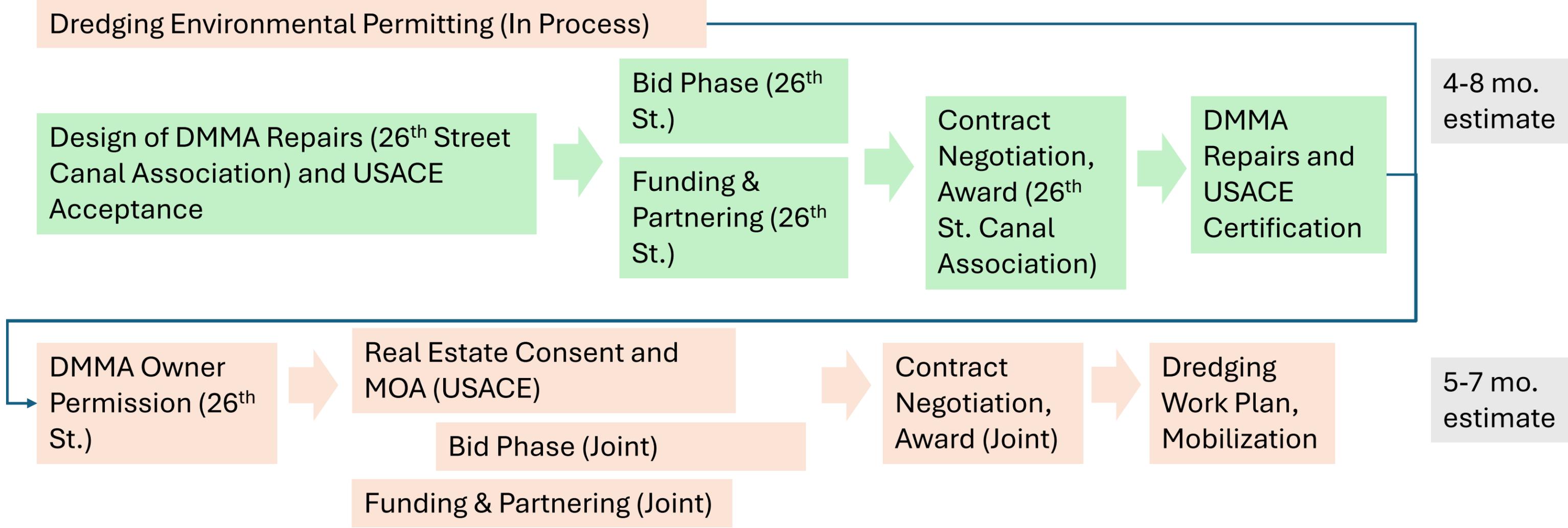


FIGURE 1. IOP MARINA MAINTENANCE DREDGING ALTERNATIVES
ATLANTIC INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY & MORGAN CREEK CHANNEL
CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, SC
02/11/2026

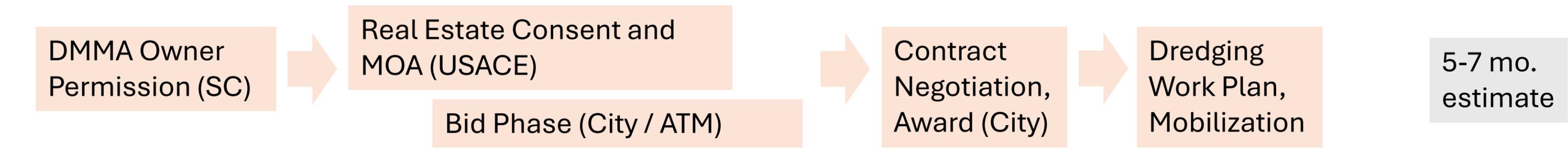


Isle of Palms Marina Dredging: Overall Dredging Dependencies

Option 1: Joint Project with Placement at Goat Island DMMA



Option 2: City Project with Placement at IOP Connector DMMA



**City of Isle of Palms
FY27 Millage Rate Table**

CURRENT ISLE OF PALMS MILLAGE

FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUE- INCREASE OPERATING MILLAGE BY MAX STATE ALLOWED RECAPTURE FOR 2023, 2024 and 2026. DUE TO THE COUNTY REASSESSMENT THE CITY USED THE 2.95 (CPI + POPULATION) IN 2025. TOTAL ADDITIONAL PROPERTY TAX GENERATED BY THIS INCREASE WOULD BE APPROX \$930K BASED ON CURRENT VALUE OF A MIL (\$338K)

Year	Millage	CPI+POP (Allowed Increase)	Possible increase	Unused Capacity
2023	19.1	8.00%	20.63	1.53
2024	19.1	4.12%	19.89	0.79
2025	17.4	2.95% already included	17.40	0.00
2026	17.4	2.63%	17.86	0.46
Total Recapture Amount				2.77
Tax Tax				0.001
Total Recapture Amount				0.0027725

Operating Millage Rate	0.0174
Debt Service Millage Rate	0.0027
Total IOP Millage Rate	0.0201

Operating Millage Rate	0.0202
Debt Service Millage Rate	0.0027
Total IOP Millage Rate	0.0229

Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor (0.00019)

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TAXPAYER'S INCREASE/(DECREASE)

Appraised Value	CURRENT ISLE OF PALMS MILLAGE				PROPOSED MILLAGE				TAXPAYER'S INCREASE/(DECREASE)	
	Primary Residences Assessed at 4%	Less Local Option Sales Tax Credit	Net IOP Property Tax for a primary resident	2nd Homes & Commercial Assessed at 6%	Primary Residences Assessed at 4%	Less Local Option Sales Tax Credit	Net IOP Property Tax for a primary resident	2nd Homes & Commercial Assessed at 6%	Primary Residents	2nd Homes/ Commercial
250,000	201	(48)	154	302	229	(48)	181	343	28	42
300,000	241	(57)	184	362	274	(57)	217	412	33	50
350,000	281	(67)	215	422	320	(67)	254	480	39	58
400,000	322	(76)	246	482	366	(76)	290	549	44	67
500,000	402	(95)	307	603	457	(95)	362	686	55	83
600,000	482	(114)	368	724	549	(114)	435	823	67	100
700,000	563	(133)	430	844	640	(133)	507	961	78	116
900,000	724	(171)	553	1,085	823	(171)	652	1,235	100	150
1,000,000	804	(190)	614	1,206	915	(190)	725	1,372	111	166
1,250,000	1,005	(238)	768	1,508	1,144	(238)	906	1,715	139	208
1,500,000	1,206	(285)	921	1,809	1,372	(285)	1,087	2,059	166	250
1,750,000	1,407	(333)	1,075	2,111	1,601	(333)	1,269	2,402	194	291
2,000,000	1,608	(380)	1,228	2,412	1,830	(380)	1,450	2,745	222	333
2,500,000	2,010	(475)	1,535	3,015	2,287	(475)	1,812	3,431	277	416
3,000,000	2,412	(570)	1,842	3,618	2,745	(570)	2,175	4,117	333	499
3,500,000	2,814	(665)	2,149	4,221	3,202	(665)	2,537	4,803	388	582
4,000,000	3,216	(760)	2,456	4,824	3,660	(760)	2,900	5,489	444	665
4,500,000	3,618	(855)	2,763	5,427	4,117	(855)	3,262	6,176	499	749
5,000,000	4,020	(950)	3,070	6,030	4,575	(950)	3,625	6,862	555	832
6,000,000	4,824	(1,140)	3,684	7,236	5,489	(1,140)	4,349	8,234	665	998
7,000,000	5,628	(1,330)	4,298	8,442	6,404	(1,330)	5,074	9,606	776	1,164
8,000,000	6,432	(1,520)	4,912	9,648	7,319	(1,520)	5,799	10,979	887	1,331
9,000,000	7,236	(1,710)	5,526	10,854	8,234	(1,710)	6,524	12,351	998	1,497
10,000,000	8,040	(1,900)	6,140	12,060	9,149	(1,900)	7,249	13,724	1,109	1,664

APPROXIMATE ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO THE CITY = \$7,068,000

2025 Millage Rates of Neighboring Communities:

Sullivan's Island = 0.0562

Mount Pleasant = 0.0443

Folly Beach = 0.03250

Fwd: Beach Reach

From: Jimmy Ward (jward@isleofpalms.gov)
 To: crabpotplayer@aol.com
 Date: Friday, March 20, 2026 at 08:08 AM EDT

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Andrea Kozloski <andreak@bcdco.com>
Date: March 11, 2026 at 3:15:54 PM EDT
To: Daniel Brownstein <dbrownstein@tompsc.com>
Cc: Jimmy Ward <jward@iop.net>
Subject: RE: Beach Reach

Absolutely!

Thank you for your time focusing on the Beach Reach service. I wanted to follow up with you regarding the discussion to look at adding Friday service this year. Please see the information below. I look forward to hearing from you on the additional day of service.

Staff's projection of the cost for the 2026 season is:

Month	Days	Month Hours	Monthly Cost
May	5	48.75	\$5,426.62
June	8	78.00	\$8,825.10
July	9	87.75	\$9,903.09
August	10	97.50	\$10,902.35
September	3	29.25	\$3,250.07
Total	35	341.25	\$38,307.23

Staff's projection of the cost for the 2026 season with additional service to operator on Fridays:

Month	Days	Month Hours	Monthly Cost
May	7	68.25	\$7,597.26
June	12	117.00	\$13,237.65
July	13	126.75	\$14,429.80
August	14	136.50	\$15,263.29
September	4	39.00	\$4,333.43
Total	50	487.50	\$54,861.43



ANDREA KOZLOSKI
Deputy Director of Operations and Support
 Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments
 5790 Casper Padgett Way | N. Charleston, SC 29406
 T: 843.529.2125 | F: 843.529.0305 | TTY: 711
andreak@bcdcog.com | bcdcog.com

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From: Daniel Brownstein <DBrownstein@tompsc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2026 2:04 PM
To: Andrea Kozloski <andreak@bcdcog.com>
Cc: Jimmy Ward <jward@iop.net>
Subject: Re: Beach Reach

Hi Andrea,

Remind us of the total cost, please.

Thanks!

Daniel

On Mar 11, 2026, at 1:57 PM, Andrea Kozloski <andreak@bcdcog.com> wrote:

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INVOICE

175800

Phase II

Bill To: CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS
 PO BOX 508
 ISLE OF PALMS SC 29451

Ship To: CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS
 1303 PALM BLVD.
 ISLE OF PALMS SC 29451

INVOICE NUMBER	ORDER NUMBER	CUSTOMER	PO NUMBER	TERMS	SALESPERSON
INVOICE DATE	ORDER DATE	NUMBER	ORDER COMMENT		
175800	185613	189	26-3173	NET 10 DAYS	PTS
02/12/26	01/22/26				
UNITS	U/M	ITEM DESCRIPTION	DISC	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT
1100	EA	***** DROP SHIPMENT ***** 79296 TOTER 96 GALLON EVR II CART GREEN GRANITE BLACK LID CITY STAMP		59.750	65,725.000
		Subtotal			65,725.00
		FREIGHT FROM FACTORY - SC LOC			2,128.00
		SALES TAX			6,106.77
		TAX #:		TAX RECAP	
		S.C. SALES AND USE TAX (6%)		4,071.18	
		ISLE OF PALMS		678.53	
		CHARLESTON (TT)		678.53	
		CHARLESTON SCHOOL		678.53	
		Total Due			73,959.77

TO AVOID 3% FEE, CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED AT "POINT OF SALE" ONLY (SHOP HRS 7AM-4PM) PARTS 8AM-5PM

Entry #: 36 - Brycen Marshall DePass

Status: Submitted

Submitted: 1/12/2026 4:37 PM

Name

Brycen Marshall DePass

Phone

(843) 343-6877

Email

iopsurflessons@gmail.com

Business Name

IOP Surf Lessons

Business License Address

1041 Planters Place, Mount Pleasant, South Carolina 29464

Location where lessons will be provided

26th Avenue

I certify that I have completed an application for a business license through the City of Isle of Palms Building Department.

Yes

Copy of CPR Certification



[CPRFACERT.pdf](#)
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Copy of First Aid Certification



[CPRFACERT.pdf](#)
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Copy of Lifeguard Certification



[CPRFACERT.pdf](#)
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Copy of Insurance Policy showing minimum coverage of at least \$1,000,000 and naming the City of Isle of Palms as an additional insured



[MY 2026_policy.pdf](#)
0.6 MB



[IOP_additional_insured_2026_policy.pdf](#)
1 MB



Please download the Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement by [CLICKING HERE](#)

This needs to be signed by the surf instructor and two witnesses.



Completed Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement



INDEM AGREEMENT.pdf
0.3 MB



I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the stipulations listed below:

- (a) Area where surf lessons are allowed shall be dictated by the current boundary restrictions stated in the City Ordinances.
- (b) At least one instructor attending each lesson must be lifeguard, CPR, and first aid certified, with current certifications on file with the city. There must be a first aid kit on site.
- (c) Each surf instructor provider must carry liability insurance of at least \$1,000,000 that names the City of Isle of Palms as an additional insured.
- (d) Surf instructions shall be limited to groups of four (4) or fewer students and at least one (1) instructor, with a maximum of twelve (12) students and three (3) instructors per day per provider.
- (e) Surf instruction shall not exceed more than two (2) hours per day per provider.
- (f) Surf instruction providers may not advertise on the beach. All signs, merchandise or other article that violate Article 7-SIGNS of the City's ordinances are prohibited.
- (g) Surf instruction providers may not solicit for students on the beach, beach accesses, public parking lots, or the Breach Inlet Bridge parking lot.
- (h) Surf instruction providers must indicate on the application the location where the lessons will be provided.
- (i) Surf instruction providers shall execute an indemnification agreement to be submitted with the application.
- (j) Failure to adhere to these standards will result in automatic revocation of permission to conduct surfing instruction on the beach by City Council.
- (k) City Council shall have the authority to limit the number of permissions issued for commercial surfing instruction on the beach.
- (l) Permission shall be granted for one (1) year which may be renewed annually upon application.

Signature

Date

1/12/2026





StarGuard Lifeguard Competency Assessment & Performance Record

Certification Number: 237927

Expiration Date: 06/28/2026

Last name: Depass	First name: Brycen	Middle initial: M
Date of Birth: 02/17/2004	Email Address: brycendepass@gmail.com	Training Center Affiliation: Town of Mount Pleasant

Training Center of Record: Town of Mount Pleasant	Training Location: R L Jones Center
Date of Training: 06/28/2025	Training Format: Blended
Maximum Water Depth: 8 feet or less Additional Options: Depth: 8' Open Water: [] Dispatch: [] Oxygen Admin: [X]	

STUDENT AGREEMENT:

Statement of Understanding: I understand the training requirements for the StarGuard® course and/or any supplemental training module and have completed all course objectives. I understand that it is my responsibility to:

1. Obtain site-specific training at the facility where I work that includes orientation to emergency and operational procedures and practice with equipment
2. Maintain my vigilance, physical fitness (including vision performance), rescue, CPR and first aid skill levels;
3. Exhibit professional behavior (StarGuard® Best Practices) and maintain personal safety when in or around an aquatic environment

I understand that I may be photographed at any time when performing lifeguard duties; that competency assessment of my performance may be conducted at any time; that my image may be used in training or promotional materials produced by StarGuard ELITE. I understand that my competency must be assessed annually by an authorized StarGuard Lifeguard Instructor to renew and retain my StarGuard Lifeguard certification.

Student Name: Brycen Depass	Student Signature:
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INSTRUCTOR AGREEMENT:

This individual has met the course requirements and demonstrated reasonable competency via written test and skill performance assessment and qualifies for completion certificates in:

- SGE StarGuard® Lifeguard
- Health & Safety Institute Basic Life Support (Professional Rescuer CPR with AED for Adults, Children, and Infants), Basic First Aid, Bloodborne Pathogens, and (if taught) Emergency Oxygen

This student's completion record will be maintained according to the Training Center Administrative Manual (TCAM) standards and guidelines. The student demonstrated competency in **8 feet or less** of water. Verification of performance in deeper water is the responsibility of the employer, based on site-specific needs.

Lead Instructor Name: Joel Frampton	Lead Instructor Signature:
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Note to the Employer: This certification record documents the competency and skills performed by the student at the completion of the StarGuard® course. The Competency Assessment & Performance Record is provided for use by the employer. Official course records are maintained by the independent Training Center that conducted the course. Completion of a StarGuard® course does not guarantee future performance nor imply complete training for every circumstance. It is your responsibility as an employer to verify competency, provide site-specific training and supervision, and monitor job performance. To retain StarGuard® certification, skills must be assessed every year, using a new Competency Assessment & Performance Record for renewal.

Required notice for lifeguards in New York: Meets NY State Department of Health Regulations



ADDITIONAL REMARKS SCHEDULE

AGENCY Verify Insurance Services, LLC DBA Thimble Insurance Services		NAMED INSURED IOPSurfLessons 28 26th Ave, Isle of Palms, SC, 29451 iopsurfllessons@gmail.com	
POLICY NUMBER IBL-PKDPFLFFYC		EFFECTIVE DATE: 05/01/2026 12:00 AM EDT	
CARRIER National Specialty Insurance Company	NAIC CODE 22608		

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

THIS ADDITIONAL REMARKS FORM IS A SCHEDULE TO ACORD FORM,
 FORM NUMBER: Acord 25 FORM TITLE: Certificate of Liability Insurance

Description of Operations (con't)

Episodic Coverage (THSN CG 02 03 02 21) for policy number IBL-PKDPFLFFYC until 05/31/2027 11:59 PM EDT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF CHARLESTON)

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this January 24 day of 2026, by and between the City of Isle of Palms, S.C., a South Carolina municipal corporation ("City"), and Brycen DePass ("Instructor").

WHEREAS The Instructor was approved by City Council to operate a business on the public beach pursuant to Section 7-3-20(c) of the City Code; and

WHEREAS the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement to set forth the exact insurance and indemnification duties and obligations of the instructor to be able to provide services on the beach pursuant to the instructor's application and City Council's approval.

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises set forth herein, the instructor agrees as follows:

1. INSURANCE. The instructor agrees to maintain comprehensive general liability insurance coverage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 that names the City of Isle of Palms as an additional insured.
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WITNESS:

INSTRUCTOR:



(#1 as to the instructor)

By: Brycen DePass



(#2 as to the instructor)

Title: Owner

Entry #: 37 - Philip Antman Status: Submitted Submitted: 1/12/2026 7:20 PM

Name

Philip Antman

Phone

(843) 607-2209

Email

Philip.antman@gmail.com

Business Name

Salt Marsh Surf

Business License Address

1338 Ronald Lane, Charleston, South Carolina 29412

Location where lessons will be provided

21 avenue

I certify that I have completed an application for a business license through the City of Isle of Palms Building Department.

Yes

Copy of CPR Certification



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Copy of First Aid Certification



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Copy of Insurance Policy showing minimum coverage of at least \$1,000,000 and naming the City of Isle of Palms as an additional insured



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Please download the Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement by [CLICKING HERE](#)

This needs to be signed by the surf instructor and two witnesses.

Completed Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement



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I have read, understood, and agree to abide by the stipulations listed below:

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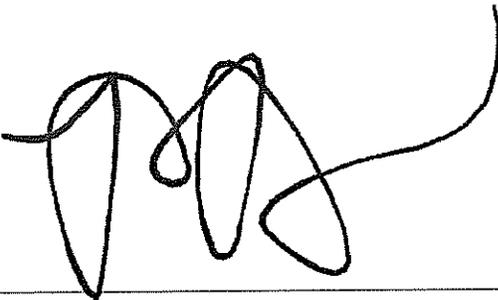
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Signature

Date

1/12/2026

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long trailing line, positioned above a horizontal line.



American Red Cross
Training Services

Certificate of Completion

Philip Antman

has successfully completed requirements for

Lifeguarding (Including Deep Water) with CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and First Aid

Date Completed: 1/30/2025
Valid Until: 1/30/2027

Conducted by: Business and Support Services Division Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps (dba Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS))



To verify certificate, scan code or visit redcross.org/digitalcertificate and enter ID.

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
04/09/2025

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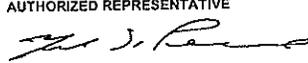
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DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (Attach ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, if more space is required)
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CERTIFICATE HOLDER City of Isle of Palms 1207 Palm Blvd. Isle of Palms, SC, 29451	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. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE  Mark Di Perno
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POLICY NUMBER S0019GL000001-04		1338 Ronald Lane Charleston, SC, 29412	
CARRIER Accelerant Specialty Insurance Company	NAIC CODE 16890	EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/09/2025	

ADDITIONAL REMARKS

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 FORM NUMBER: 25 FORM TITLE: Certificate of Liability Insurance

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 RE: Registered Surfing participants: 04/09/2025 - 04/09/2026;

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COUNTY OF CHARLESTON)

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WITNESS:

INSTRUCTOR:

Allie Dasher

By: Philip Antman

(#1 as to the instructor)

Ben Steer

Title: Head Instructor: Owner

(#2 as to the instructor)

Entry #: 40 - Monica Mowers **Status:** Submitted **Submitted:** 1/19/2026 12:00 PM

Name

Monica Mowers

Phone

(843) 973-0078

Email

mbecerra18921@gmail.com

Business Name

Share the Stoke Surf School

Business License Address

304 Fleming Road, 304 Fleming Road, Charleston, South Carolina 29412

Location where lessons will be provided

beach path 34a

I certify that I have completed an application for a business license through the City of Isle of Palms Building Department.

Yes

Copy of CPR Certification

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Please download the Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement by [CLICKING HERE](#)

This needs to be signed by the surf instructor and two witnesses.

Completed Surf Instructor Indemnification Agreement

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Signature

Date

1/19/2026

Monica Mowers



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American Lifeguard & Safety Training™



Monica Mowers

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) **10/18/1996**

Qualification	Date of Completion
Professional Lifeguarding	01/08/2025
Shallow Water Lifeguarding	
Waterfront Lifeguarding	
Swimming Pool Operator	
CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer	01/08/2025
Community First Aid	01/08/2025
Aquatic First Responder	

Certification issued by:
American Lifeguard Assoc.
 8300 Boone Blvd.,
 5th Floor
 Vienna, VA 22182



For Verification go to:
www.universalcertification.org

Valid for 2 years with Employer's Model Aquatic Health Code compliance.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
05/01/2026

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CERTIFICATE HOLDERCity of Isle of Palms
1207 Palm Blvd
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AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Mark Di Perno

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WITNESS:

INSTRUCTOR:

[Signature]
(#1 as to the instructor)

By: Monica Powers

[Signature]
(#2 as to the instructor)

Title: Owner

Entry #: 38 - Kai Peter Dilling

Status: Submitted

Submitted: 1/14/2026 2:17 PM

Name

Kai Peter Dilling

Phone

(843) 345-6765

Email

kai@solsurfers.net

Business Name

Sol Surfers Surf Camp, LLC

Business License Address

1170 Lazy Lane, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina 29464

Location where lessons will be provided

27th Ave

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Yes

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Signature

Date

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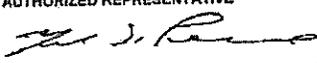
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Mark Di Perno

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)

COUNTY OF CHARLESTON)

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this FEB 9TH day of 2026, by and between the City of Isle of Palms, S.C., a South Carolina municipal corporation ("City"), and KAI DILLON ("Instructor").

WHEREAS The Instructor was approved by City Council to operate a business on the public beach pursuant to Section 7-3-20(c) of the City Code; and

WHEREAS the parties hereto desire to enter into this Agreement to set forth the exact insurance and indemnification duties and obligations of the instructor to be able to provide services on the beach pursuant to the instructor's application and City Council's approval.

THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises set forth herein, the instructor agrees as follows:

1. **INSURANCE.** The instructor agrees to maintain comprehensive general liability insurance coverage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 that names the City of Isle of Palms as an additional insured.
2. **INDEMNIFICATION.** The Instructor agrees to hold harmless and indemnify City and its officers, agents and employees from and against any loss or damage, including all reasonable attorney's fees and expenses, incurred as a result of any and all claims, demands, causes of action, suits, judgments, fines or penalties (including but not limited to all fees and expenses incurred as a result of death or injury to persons or for loss of or damage to property) arising out of or in connection with The Instructor's performance of the work under this Agreement.

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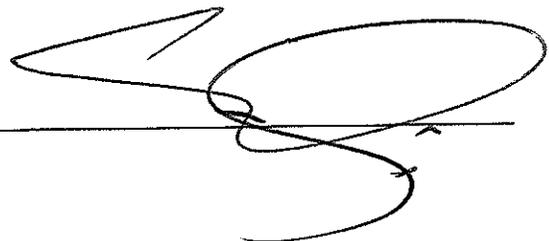


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INSTRUCTOR:

By: 

Title: OWNER



**Administration Committee Meeting
1:00pm, Tuesday, March 3, 2026
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 Miller, Pierce, and Ward

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, HR Officer Ladd, Chief Cornett, Chief Oliverius,
Director Hamilton

2. Citizen's Comments

Patsy Hindman, Barnacle Row, spoke with concern about the low pay for firefighters. She believes a 10% raise is not sufficient and said speaking directly to the employees should have been done as part of the study.

Julie Nestler, 22nd Avenue, also spoke with concern about the firefighters being underpaid and the department being understaffed. She said she presented a plan to the City Administrator that would increase pay for firefighters and pay for the rescue boat without raising taxes. She also supports an incentive for bilingual officers.

3. Approval of Previous meeting's minutes

Council Member Miller suggested clarity in the last sentence on the first page regarding use of incentives. Chief Cornett offered, "Both chiefs agree utilizing incentives will allow them to place new personnel at their proper step based on their experience as well as retain current Public Safety personnel."

MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026 meeting as amended. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Old Business

A. Discussion with Evergreen on Wage & Compensation Study and incentives

Allie Crumpler of Evergreen presented the wage and compensation study to the Committee. That presentation can be found in the agenda packet on the City's website. Ms. Crumpler will give the same presentation to the City Council next week.

Council Member Pierce would like Council to focus on the pay and incentives for Public Safety. He noted that there seems to be a large disparity in general and administrative pay.

Ms. Crumpler said she could help the City craft a policy that will help them adjust their pay ranges on an annual basis so they do not fall behind. She will also review the incentives suggested by the Police and Fire chiefs.

Council Member Pierce would like to look more closely at changes to the grades in the general and administrative staff, noting that the needed pay increases are larger since City Council was not as aggressive with those increase after the last study.

Council Member Pierce later asked to have Evergreen look at pay in the 70th percentile for all Public Safety positions, including Public Safety administrative positions.

Chief Cornett shared suggested educational and certification incentives with the Committee. He said he will add an incentive for bilingual officers. He recommends a capped amount each year for the incentives, adding that the officer must retain those certifications annually in order to receive the incentive pay.

Chief Oliverius also shared a list of certification incentives with the Committee. His suggestions were based on a percentage of an employee's pay "baked into their hourly rate." Chief Cornett said it would be hard to stay within the step plan if he used percentages.

The chiefs were asked to put dollar values on all recommendations and bring them to the City Council meeting next week.

B. Discussion on Code of Ethics and Conduct proposed ordinance

Council Member Miller provided a rough draft of a Code of Ethics and Conduct ordinance. Administrator Kerr will send it to legal counsel for review prior to the April meeting.

C. Discussion procurement/purchasing procedures

Council Member Pierce believes recurring expenses should be put out to bid every 1-2 years. He is concerned about multi-year contracts.

Administrator Kerr said that the bid process does not apply to anything under \$25,000. He asked the Committee members to take note of large expenses that could be bid out as they go through the budget process. He will review them to clarify when their contracts, if applicable, will expire and need to go out to bid again.

5. New Business

A. Review of FY27 Operational Budgets for General Government and Building Departments

Director Hamilton said some of Evergreen's numbers are "baked in" to the budget numbers she presented as are the COLA and merit increases slated for 1/1/2027. She noted she is waiting on a letter with the insurance modifier before solidifying that number in the budget. She reviewed large changes in the budgets for General Government and the Building Department.

A full picture of the budget will be presented at the March 11 budget workshop.

B. Review process to appoint future Director of Public Works

Administrator Kerr said the position has been internally posted. He hopes to be able to make a recommendation to City Council at their March 24 meeting.

6. Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting of the Administration Committee will be held on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 1pm.

7. Adjournment

Council Member Ward made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Miller seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



**Public Services & Facilities Committee Meeting
9:00am, Tuesday, March 3, 2026
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 Miars, Pierce, and Streetman

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, Director Pitts, Asst. Director Asero, Director Ferrell, Director Hamilton

2. Citizen's Comments – none

3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – February 9, 2026

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

MOTION: Council Member Miars made a motion to reorder the agenda to allow for the discussion with about the marina parking lot to be first on the agenda. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Marina Tenant's Comments – none

5. Presentations – none

6. Old Business

A. Update and discussion of marina parking lot lease amendments

Mr. Dave Lorenz with Islander 71 was present for this discussion. Committee members and Mr. Lorenz discussed the City relieving the restaurant of paying their rent overages in 2026 and 2027 in exchange for them paying for the marina parking lot improvements and managing the project. Islander 71 would then be responsible for the parking lot maintenance for the remainder of the lease. Some light landscaping would be expected in the City's greenspace area.

Administrator Kerr said those rent overages are included as revenues in the budget.

Mr. Lorenz also asked if the lease amendments could change the payment of the overage to March 2 instead of January 2 to give them time to verify their accounting. The lease amendments will be discussed at the April meeting.

MOTION: Council Member Miars made a motion to recommend to City Council that rent overages from Islander 71 for the upcoming two calendar years be removed and the \$500,000 budget line item for the parking lot improvements be removed from the budget. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Update and discussion of Waterway Boulevard project

Administrator Kerr said they have received a work schedule from the Bastion Group who is currently locating utilities and will begin removing silt fencing soon. The project is expected to be completed at the beginning of July. They have been asked to work on the most traffic-disruptive pieces of the project early in their work schedule.

Easement acquisition for Phase 3 of the project continues. Administrator Kerr said that phase of work involves the backyards of 5-6 homeowners and will not be in the multi-use path.

C. Update and discussion of beach projects

Administrator Kerr reported that five contractors attended the pre-bid meeting for the renourishment project. He said there was a good indication of favorable pricing due to openings in contractor work schedules. Permits have not been received yet. Bids are due on March 18, with hopes to have everything aligned for City Council to award a contract at their April meeting.

Council Member Pierce asked what work will be done to clean up the areas of beach littered with clay balls. He would like to have an independent group assess the damage. Administrator Kerr said someone would need to engage to do that work if it is the will of City Council.

Administrator Kerr said he is waiting on a cleanup plan from USACE. Both Ahtna and Cottrell are stopping operations and leaving the island. More information will be available at next week's Council meeting.

D. Update and discussion of escrow agreement with Wild Dunes Community Association

Mr. David Swanson with Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd joined the meeting via Zoom to discuss the changes to the agreement submitted by Council Member Pierce.

E. Update and discussion of beach renourishment easements

Administrator Kerr shared a timeline of events prior to City Council's consideration of awarding a contract for the beach renourishment project at their April 28 meeting. Addresses for property owners from which easements are needed will be mailed information on March 16. There will be a meeting to discuss the easements on April 2 at the Recreation Center. The deadline to return easements will be April 22. He has received one firm "no" to the easement request so far.

F. Update and discussion of marina dredging

Administrator Kerr reviewed the costs of the marina dredging project with the Committee. If the City does their portion of the project on their own, the project will cost the City \$535,000.

Waiting until the marina residents are ready will cost a total of \$2 million. The City has a \$1.5 million grant from the State to complete the project. Administrator Kerr said that the marina residents' portion of the project has its own hurdles, and the City will not be creating complications for them should they opt to complete their portion of the project now.

The City has permits in hand and only needs USACE approval to use their spoil site. Administrator Kerr will ask ATM if more material could be dredged using the leftover money from the grant. He will also ask Director Hamilton to research if the City can use the leftover grant money for another project.

MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to recommend to City Council that the City move forward with their portion of the dredging project. Council Member Streetman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. New Business

A. Review and consideration of surfing lesson applications and locations

Administrator Kerr shared the requested locations for each of the applicants: IOP Surf Lessons (26th Avenue), Salt Marsh Surf (21st Avenue), Share the Stoke (34A beach access), and Sol Surfers Surf Camp (27th Avenue).

MOTION: Council Member Miars made a motion to recommend to City Council the approval of all four applications for surfing lessons. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Discuss IT services and providers

Council Member Pierce would like a schedule of telecom and internet expenses for the April meeting. He said these services should be going out for bid regularly.

Administrator Kerr said that VC3's contract is up at the end of 2026. They have begun reaching out to other local municipalities for recommendations.

C. Review and consider FY27 Operational Budgets for Public Works Department, Recreation Department, Drainage, Front Beach, Beach and Marina

Director Hamilton said she has included Evergreen's wage increases in the proposed budget as well as the COLA and merit increases due on 1/1/2027.

Council Member Pierce would like to see last year's 2027 projections compared to what is on the information provided. He believes them to be drastically different. He expressed concern about not having a plan to cover increased costs.

Administrator Kerr said staff will present a list of proposed cost cuts and revenue generators at the budget workshop.

Director Hamilton reviewed notable increases and decreases in the FY27 budget including a 13% price increase expected from Dominion Energy. The overall forecast for the Public Works

budget shows an increase of \$200,000. The Recreation Department budget notes payroll and electricity increases as well as other minimal increases.

Director Hamilton also pointed out the increased amount to building maintenance fund for the Recreation Department since it is a 20 year-old building.

Director Ferrell took out the roof repair request from the capital budget requests. She found someone to make repairs for \$9,000 that will give 3-5 years more life to the current roof.

Director Hamilton said she will add the marina dredging project back into the budget and ask about additional uses for the grant.

9. Miscellaneous Business

The next regular meeting of the Public Services & Facilities Committee will be Monday, April 6, 2026 at 9am.

10. Adjournment

Council Member Streetman made a motion to adjourn and Council Member Miars seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane

City Clerk



**Public Safety Committee Meeting
11:00am, Tuesday, March 3, 2026
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 and Cohen

Absent: Council Member Carroll

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, Director Hamilton, Chief Oliverius, Chief Cornett

2. Citizen's Comments -- none

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – February 3, 2026

MOTION: Council Member Cohen made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2026 meeting. Council Member Bogosian seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Old Business

A. Discussion of Mt. Pleasant's concerns with Connector redesign

Referencing the letter in the meeting packet, Administrator Kerr said the primary reason for Mt. Pleasant's non-support of the redesign of the IOP Connector is related to their bike lanes not aligning with the Council's preferred design option.

Council members Bogosian and Cohen believe this is an issue that can be overcome with further discussion. Council Member Bogosian asked staff to suggest dates and times for a future meeting between the Public Safety Committee and Mt. Pleasant's Transportation Committee.

B. Discussion on AI Traffic Signal Software

Council members Bogosian and Cohen agree the RFP is ready to be posted.

C. Update on painting of crosswalks at 43rd and 46th avenues

Administrator Kerr said no further work has been done on the crosswalks, and it will be on the April meeting agenda.

D. Discussion of Public Safety-related matrix recommendations

Administrator Kerr has asked Chiefs Cornett and Oliverius to select their “top 5” matrix recommendations to bring to the Committee for discussion. Council Member Bogosian would like the matrix to be updated so that completed items are marked accordingly.

5. New Business

A. Review of FY27 Operational Budgets for Police and Fire Departments

Director Hamilton said this version of the FY27 Operational Budgets for both Police and Fire include payroll increases suggested by Evergreen in addition to the COLA and merit increases slated for 1/1/2027. The 18% increase in the Police Department payroll includes two new officers. Chief Cornett said the overtime amount will be different if two officers are added, and Council Member Bogosian asked that it be reflected in the budget.

Director Hamilton said a 13% increase is expected for Dominion Energy costs.

Chief Cornett shared his justification for the staff increase and explained how the two new officers would be incorporated into the staff: “So, one of the justifications would be that we have had a significant increase in people that come to our island over the last 20 years. Yet, we have not added a law enforcement position in 20 years. With that, we are working our folks consistently to make sure that we meet the demand of the increase in population and even during our non-peak season, we see a significant increase in people that are visiting our island compared to the number of full-time residents. And then the other part is to maintain our folks and to maintain good quality employees, we ensure that they get training, and we also want them to take that time off so that we are not burning them out. What happens though is when they are taking that time off that we want them to take their vacation leave, their sick leave, or they are taking that training, we are having to fill that with other people, and we are then burning those people out for it. And so the real purpose is to minimize that burnout so that we can retain officers for a longer period of time. Nationally, we see that law enforcement officers are leaving agencies and even the job, in general, because of burnout, because of overwork. And so we are trying to minimize those numbers for that. What we will do is we will assign them to Special Services, the same place that we have K9 and traffic officers, because we currently use them to supplement officers during our busy peak time. We look at when we get the most calls for service and when we do the most incident reports, and so we will use them to cover when somebody is in training or when they are on leave.”

Director Hamilton said the \$17,000 change in IT expenses in the Fire Department is related to software subscriptions. She also noted increased maintenance costs for Fire Station 2.

Chief Oliverius said they intend to go through two more grant cycles in an attempt to get a grant for the rescue boat. If they are still not successful, they will ask City Council to consider funding an outright purchase of the boat.

Council Member Bogosian would like the Administration Committee to address equitable financial incentives for both Police and Fire Departments. Incentives will be discussed at March 10 and March 11 Council meetings.

6. Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee will be on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 11am.

7. Adjournment

Council Member Bogosian made a motion to adjourn, and Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:54am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



**Planning Commission and
Board of Zoning Appeals Joint Meeting
4:00pm, Wednesday, March 11, 2026
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, Tim Ahmuty, Ron Denton, Rich Steinert, Bill Laughlin, Sandy Stone, Glenn Thornburg, Suzi Wheeler, Ellen Gower, Bob Miller

Absent: Jeffrey Rubin

Staff present: Administrator Kerr, City Attorney McMillin

2. Approval of minutes

The minutes of the January meeting will be voted on at the April Planning Commission meeting.

3. Executive Session

MOTION: Ms. Nagelski made a motion to enter into Executive Session to receive legal advice and annual legal briefing pursuant to SC Code Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Mr. Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commission and Board members entered into Executive Session at 4:01pm.

Commission and Board members returned from Executive Session at 6pm. Mr. Denton said no decisions were made.

4. Miscellaneous

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 4:00pm.

5. Adjournment

Mr. Steiner made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Gower seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10:00am, Wednesday, March 11, 2026

1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

MINUTES

1. **Call to order**

Present: Rebecca Kovalich, Park Williams, Barb Bergwerf, Chrissy Lorenz, Margaret Miller, Mike Boykin (via Zoom)

Absent: Rod Turnage

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Director Hamilton

2. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Ms. Bergwerf nominated Mr. Williams as Chair of the ATAX Committee. Ms. Lorenz seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Mr. Williams as Chair of the ATAX Committee.

Ms. Lorenz nominated Ms. Kovalich as Vice Chair of the ATAX Committee. Ms. Bergwerf seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Ms. Kovalich as Vice Chair of the ATAX Committee.

3. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes** – November 12, 2025

Ms. Bergwerf made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2025 meeting, and Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Presentation of ATAX Applications**

A. **IOP Chamber of Commerce, Zacharry Lary**

Mr. Lary came before the Committee to present the IOP Chamber's request for \$55,000 in ATAX funding. He shared creatives and data from a previous campaign as well as the budget for the project and estimated economic benefit to the Isle of Palms. The Chamber is requesting \$55,000 to replicate and expand on this pilot project. Mr. Lary explained that while the CVB does an excellent job of promoting the Charleston area, the IOP Chamber is solely focused on promoting the Isle of Palms.

Committee members asked if there is a way the CVB can financially assist the IOP Chamber.

Committee members also requested a means by which the Committee could review the use of previously awarded funds. A January meeting will be added to the ATAX meeting schedule to invite the previous year's grant recipients to provide an accounting of ATAX funds.

B. YWCA Greater Charleston MLK Event Application – LaVanda Brown

No one from the YWCA was present to review their application.

C. Lutheran Coastal Retreat Center -- Elliot Cox

Mr. Cox came before the Committee to present the retreat center's request for \$12,000 in ATAX funding. Mr. Cox said their request is for the installation of new and updated reservation software and future subscription fees, noting the last software purchase was in 2012. Mr. Cox said while some of their groups bring their own food, many of them eat at least one meal on the island.

Mr. Williams asked if such software is an eligible expense, and Director Kerr later (after the meeting) provided documentation that it is an eligible expense.

Mr. Cox shared some details of the center's use of last year's grant award.

D. Island School Literacy Events – Mary Alice Monroe

Ms. Monroe and Ms. Polly Buxton came before the Committee to present her organization's request for \$40,000 in ATAX funding. Ms. Monroe said prior ATAX funding has allowed them to take her weekend event "to a whole new level." She has increased the management of the event, allowing for expanded direct marketing. Her weekend event and the other seasonal events are all sold out.

Ms. Buxton shared details of their marketing efforts, stating the event attracted people from 78 zip codes over 50 miles away from 28 states. The weekend event has received a lot of media attention.

Ms. Lorenz and Ms. Bergwerf both said this event is a success story of ATAX grant funding.

5. Financial Statements

Director Hamilton said the fund balance is 3.5% higher than this time last year. Revenues are 2% higher, but interest earned is down due to lower interest rates. Expenses are tracking at 41% of the annual budget.

She noted a few budgeted items will be deferred to FY27. There will be an expense overage for the ATV purchase that will come before the Committee at a later meeting.

6. Old Business

A. Update on BCDCOG Mobility Study

Administrator Kerr reported that BCDCOD is continuing to work on the final report of this study.

Ms. Bergwerf said there are several beach paths that flood. She believes some of them may need some grading for the flood waters to recede. Administrator Kerr asked her to send pictures of the paths that need attention.

7. New Business

A. Discussion of FY27 Budget for State Accommodations Tax Funds

Director Hamilton said the budget requests for FY27 are very similar to those in FY26. She noted increases in transfers out of the ATAX funds to pay for the upcoming beach renourishment project. She reviewed the expenses in the FY27 budget.

There was a brief discussion about safety measures at the marina boat ramp.

6. Miscellaneous Business

Administrator Kerr said the City has solicited proposals for a rebranding effort. The Committee has been asked to grade the proposals. This will likely be on the May agenda. The rebranding effort will be paid for by the CVB.

The next meeting of the ATAX Committee will be Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 10am.

7. Adjournment

Ms. Bergwerf made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Lorenz seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:16am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4:00pm, Thursday, March 12, 2026

1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

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

MINUTES

1. **Call to order**

Present: Laura Lovins, Sean Popson, Todd Murphy, Eric Cicora, Britton Foy, Susan Smith, Cindy Marrs, Charlotte Webster, Council Member Miars

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester, Asst. Director Asero

2. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes**

MOTION: Ms. Popson made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2026 meeting, and Ms. Smith seconded the motion.

Ms. Smith noted a missing word in the motion about pursuing Sea Rise signage.

VOTE: The amended minutes passed unanimously.

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

4. **Presentation – none**

5. **New Business**

Discussion of Native Tree Guide

Ms. Lovins said Sullivan's Island is allowing the Committee to adjust their Native Tree Guide to suit the Isle of Palms. Ms. Smith added that minus the first four pages specific to Sullivan's Island, the document can be adopted for use here. She said there would be a nominal cost to adjusting the guide for Isle of Palms' purposes.

Administrator Kerr noted that the Building Department already distributes something similar to building license applicants.

6. **Old Business**

A. **Update on cost of Sea Rise Signage**

Ms. Lovins reported that the signs are \$35/each with free shipping. The cost with posts should be approximately \$250. Signs will be placed at Myrtle & 19th Avenue, Palm Blvd somewhere between 38th and 41st avenue, and three beach access paths with significant flooding.

Asst. Director Asero will order the signs and posts.

MOTION: Mr. Foy made a motion to move forward with the project as discussed. Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Update on the Interpretive Sign project

Ms. Smith shared some of the small signs that will be hung at the public dock. She will schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony when all the signs are installed. She has asked PIO Uys to post a pdf of all the signs on iop.net. She also shared that the Recreation Department has fall speaker series planned to guide people through the signs.

C. Discussion of Mujeres Latinas Signage for cleanup station

Ms. Smith shared the updated signage that will be placed with the toy bin and cleanup station donated by Mujeres Latinas at 25th Avenue beach access.

D. Discussion of EAC participation in Hurricane & Resilience Expo

Ms. Lovins reviewed each Committee member's area of interest for the upcoming Hurricane & Resilience Expo. Administrator Kerr said compost bins have been ordered for the event.

The Committee had a brief discussion with Administrator Kerr about vegetation and sand fencing and if/how residents can employ them upon completion of the upcoming beach renourishment project. Administrator Kerr said the City will be installing vegetation and sand fencing within the project area.

Committee members then discussed what materials they will prepare for the expo. PIO Uys will create a template for Committee members to assist in consistent branding across their messages. Committee members are to forward a pdf of their designs to the City Clerk to include in next month's meeting packet.

7. Miscellaneous Business

Administrator Kerr said the lighting ordinance will come back to the Committee in May.

Ms. Lovins said that she wrote an article about the change in glass recycling on the island. A private citizen has offered to pay for Fisher Glass Recycling.

The next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2026 at 4pm.

8. **Adjournment**

Mr. Murphy made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:27.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk



**Beach Preservation Committee
Thursday, March 5, 2026, 9:00am
City Hall Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC**

MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Present: Dietmar Ostermann, Wendi Pasterik, Alice Bova, John Schilling, Dan Slotchiver, Council Member Cohen

Staff Present: Administrator Kerr, Deputy Administrator Kuester

2. Citizen's Comments -- none

3. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Mr. Slotchiver nominated Mr. Ostermann as Chair of the Beach Preservation Committee. Mr. Schilling seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Mr. Ostermann as Chair of the Beach Preservation Committee.

Mr. Schilling nominated Ms. Pasterik as Vice Chair of the Beach Preservation Committee. Mr. Slotchiver seconded the motion. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with all in favor of Ms. Pasterick as Vice Chair of the Beach Preservation Committee.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – February 5, 2026

As the minutes were mistakenly not included in the meeting packet, they will be voted on at the April meeting.

5. Old Business -- none

6. New Business

A. Discussion with Chris Creed, Foth/Olsen on alternatives analysis

Mr. Chris Creed and Mr. Zak Bedell reviewed the scope work for the alternatives analysis. Mr. Creed said the primary object of the analysis will be to identify the cost of the City's beach management program in the future, the annual financial requirement needed to maintain the program, and available options to preserve the health of the beach. A discussion of the benefits and costs of groin installation will also be included. An outline of the analysis should be ready in the next month, with the final deliverable available in a few months.

Mr. Creed said additional study and discussion about groin installation will most likely be needed upon the completion of the upcoming renourishment project. He said permitting could still take up to 18 months and would be complicated if the City tried to secure permits for both ends of the island simultaneously. Foth/Olsen will talk with the regulatory agencies about any issues the City might face securing permits and if there is a path for expediting the installation. If the City opts to install groins, he suggests they move quickly when the renourishment is finished.

Mr. Creed will also look at long and short-term erosion rates. He said that while the USACE beneficial use project provides free sand, he believes the City should not allow them carte blanche, nor does he believe their projects to be a long-term reliable sand source. When asked if more sand on the south end of the island would be a waste of money, Mr. Creed said “more sand is never a waste of money.”

B. Discussion with Stephen Traynum, CS&E on definition of minimum healthy beach

Mr. Traynum discussed a minimum healthy beach with the Committee. Committee members expressed concern that the current volumes defining a minimum healthy beach are not enough to protect properties. Mr. Slotchiver again expressed his concern about the City not putting enough sand down for the upcoming project causing more problems in the future.

The Committee also engaged in a lengthy discussion with Mr. Traynum about the baseline and house lines on the beach front and how they are used in the calculations of proposed sand volumes. Mr. Traynum said the parameters and sand volumes can be changed if that is the will of City Council.

Administrator Kerr reminded the Committee, “We are trying to cobble together money to do what we can do to make the structures safe, and the ends are not meeting currently...In this group’s tasks is to identify money sources. Get the money rolling in at the appropriate cadence so we have enough money, but otherwise, we are putting the cart before the horse if we say hey, we would like, we are planning to put 1.5 million cubic yards, we would like to put 40 million cubic yards. We clearly cannot afford that.”

Mr. Slotchiver said the Beach Preservation Ad Hoc Committee had made financial recommendations to City Council, and none of them have been enacted. Administrator Kerr said to the Committee: “Until the money is coming in, we have a problem.”

Mr. Traynum added that what is happening at the south end of the island is extremely dynamic and believes groins could help protect the area.

Mr. Traynum explained, “The way the project is formulated is the first step is to get everybody to the minimum healthy volume. So the area along Beachwood and the south end would get at least to 380 yards per foot. Then on top of that, when you add in the advanced fill that would be an amount of sand that would cover 8 years’ worth of erosion rates that we have seen over the past

several years. So by the end of 8 years, again, on paper you are getting back to that minimum healthy volume, and we are never getting beyond that again.”

Ms. Pasterik expressed concern about the negative social media related to the beach and how it could hurt tourism.

Mr. Ostermann said the sentiment of the Committee is that “we should not treat all of Isle of Palms the same. That the situation we have at Beachwood East is not desirable and so we do not want the south end getting into the same position. But, at the same time, it is not realistic to reestablish the situation at Beachwood East or the Ocean Club to the levels that would be desirable. So therefore, I think it would be best to apply these rules of a minimum healthy beach in the effected areas on the north end from the structure, whereas in the south end, we are defining it from the dune baseline.”

Mr. Traynum responded, “We can do that, but I will just say that you are basing that condition off of a line in the sand that was determined by BCM off of a condition that existed 10 years ago. So it is very easy to do these numbers, but if you try to maintain a wider system there that is just going to involved, and I am not saying it is a bad thing at all, it is just a bigger project, a bigger effort to maintain that.”

Ms. Pasterik would like the plan put in easy-to-understand language for the public. She asked for several of Mr. Traynum’s assumptions and rationales behind the assumptions. She would like the applied erosion rate for the next 8 years, the rationale for that rate, if there are any potential shoal attachment and how it factors into the renourishment as well as any erosion predicted from the USACE beneficial use project.

Mr. Traynum said most of those answers can be read in a document he sent to Administrator Kerr late Wednesday, which will be sent to Committee members.

Mr. Traynum suggested waiting until the bids came back to see if there is money to place more sand.

Mr. Ostermann suggested another meeting to review the bids. Administrator Kerr said that while City Council welcomes their feedback, plans for the upcoming project are well underway.

Ms. Pasterik suggested the City get a peer review of the upcoming project. Mr. Schilling believes the definition of a minimum healthy beach is flawed.

8. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Beach Preservation Committee will be on Monday, March 23, at 1pm to discuss the beach monitoring report, to review the Beach Preservation Ad Hoc Committee’s financial recommendations, to finalize their recommendations of a minimum healthy beach, and to review the bids.

Ms. Pasterik made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Ostermann seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06am.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk

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

- (A) All committees shall consist of three (3) members selected from the Mayor and Council. Workshop Ways and Means 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 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:
 - i. 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 Administration Committee shall serve as Chairman of the Hiring Committee; and
 - (e) Assist City Council in screening, interviewing and recommending candidates for appointments to boards and commissions of the City; and
 - (f) Assist City Council in screening, interviewing, and recommending candidates for appointment of City Attorney; and
 - (g) 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) 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

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- (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) 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.
 - (4) *Ways and Means Committee.* The Ways and Means Committee, which shall consist of all Councilmembers. The committee's duties are to:
 - (a) Assist the City Administrator in the annual budget ordinance through:
 - (1) Review of all sources of revenue and development of annual income estimates;
 - ~~_____~~(2) Review of all departmental, committee, board, general government, or other expense ~~___~~ budgets;
 - (b) Review monthly cash on hand reports and budget status and recommend revisions if necessary;
 - ~~_____~~(c) Review all policies and procedures regarding ways and means and make recommendations as ~~___~~ appropriate;
 - (d) Review all other matters pertaining to City finances and which the name of the committee implies;
 - (e) Examine into and report upon all petitions and other matters referred to them by the Mayor and Council; and
 - (f) ~~–Review all matters regarding the City real and personal property.~~

Sec. 1-3-36. - Committee meetings.

- (A) All committees shall consist of three (3) members selected from the Mayor and Council. Ways and Means meetings shall consist of the Mayor and the other Councilmembers.

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- (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.
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 - (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
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 - (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.

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- (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) 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.

(4) **Ways and Means Committee.** Ways and Means Committee. The Ways and Means Committee, which shall consist of all Councilmembers. The committee's duties are to:

(a) Assist the City Administrator in the annual budget ordinance through:

- i. Review of all sources of revenue and development of annual income estimates;
- ii. Review of all departmental, committee, board, general government, or other expense budgets;

(b) Review monthly cash on hand reports and budget status and recommend revisions if necessary;

(c) Review all policies and procedures regarding ways and means and make recommendations as appropriate;

(d) Review all other matters pertaining to City finances and which the name of the committee implies;

(e) Examine into and report upon all petitions and other matters referred to them by the Mayor and Council; and

(f) Review all matters regarding the City real and personal property

ORDINANCE 2026-01

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 ISLE OF PALMS CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND STANDING COMMITTEES.

WHEREAS, it is judged by the Isle of Palms City Council to be one of Council's primary duties to plan, prepare, and execute, and monitor publicly deliberated and considered budgets; and,

WHEREAS, a substantial body of information is produced by staff and readily available to facilitate these deliberations; and,

WHEREAS, myriad factors both predictable and unpredictable constantly act upon the City's budget making recurring reviews necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Isle of Palms City Council has the authority to amend its Code of Ordinances when deemed to be in the best interest of the citizens of the City and now desires to do so by creating a standing body that will specifically address financial planning, forecasting, reporting and budget execution.

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 1-3-31 "Membership; appointment; responsibilities," is hereby amended as follows:

- (A) All committees shall consist of three (3) members selected from the Mayor and Council. Ways and Means 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 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:
 - i. 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 Administration Committee shall serve as Chairman of the Hiring Committee; and
 - (e) Assist City Council in screening, interviewing and recommending candidates for appointments to boards and commissions of the City; and
 - (f) Assist City Council in screening, interviewing, and recommending candidates for appointment of City Attorney; and
 - (g) 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) 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) 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
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 - (c) Review all policies and procedures regarding ways and means and make recommendations as appropriate;
 - (d) Review all other matters pertaining to City finances and which the name of the committee implies;
 - (e) Examine into and report upon all petitions and other matters referred to them by the Mayor and Council; and
 - (f) Review all matters regarding the City real and personal property.

SECTION 2. Also, Section 1-3-36, "Committee meetings," is hereby amended as follows:

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.
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- (e) Examine into and report upon all petitions and other matters referred to them by the Mayor and Council; and
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SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 5. That this Ordinance take effect and be in full force immediately.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Phillip Pounds, Mayor

(Seal)
Attest:

Nicole DeNeane, City Clerk
First Reading: _____
Second Reading: _____
Ratification: _____

Sec. 9-2-5. Noise.

- a. *Declaration; specific noises.* It shall be unlawful for any person to create, assist in creating, permit, continue, or permit the continuance of any noise in the City that is unreasonably loud or disturbing in the circumstances to a reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities except as expressly allowed pursuant to subsections e. and f. of this section. The following are declared to be unreasonably loud or disturbing noises in violation of this section, but such acts shall not be deemed to be exclusive:
- (1) *Blowing horns.* Except as required by law, no person shall blow or cause to be blown within the City any steam whistle, electric horn, or other signaling or warning device, except as alarm signals in case of fire or collision or other imminent danger.
 - (2) *Pets.* It shall be unlawful to keep, stable, harbor or maintain any animal or bird which disturbs the comfort or repose of any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities in the vicinity by making continually or frequently loud noise.
 - (3) *Loudspeakers, etc.* It shall be unlawful to use, maintain or operate loudspeakers, sound trucks, amplifiers or other mechanical or electrical devices for increasing the volume of sound, upon the street, sidewalks, parks or other outdoor public places owned or under the control of the City, except as permitted under subsection e. and f. of this section; provided, however, that any City-owned property subject to a commercial lease and a noise control agreement or permit is exempt from the requirements of this paragraph.
 - (4) *Hawking or peddling.* It shall be unlawful for any person to make any noise on a public street or in such proximity thereto as to be distinctly and loudly audible on such street by any kind of crying, calling, or shouting or by means of any whistle, rattle, bell, gong, clapper, horn, hammer, drum, musical instrument, or other device for the purpose of attracting attention or of inviting patronage of any persons to any business whatsoever. It is the express intention of this paragraph to prohibit hawking, peddling, soliciting or using other loud noises to attract attention to a business and not to prohibit the spill-over noise emanating from a lawfully operating business.
 - (5) *Radios, phonographs, televisions, etc.* The use, operation or playing of or permitting the use, operation or playing of any radio, hi-fi, stereo system, phonograph, piccolo, television or any musical instrument in such manner or with such unreasonably loud volume in the circumstances as to disturb any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities, or the playing of such instrument in such manner as to disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities in any dwelling or other residence.
 - (6) *Use of vehicle.* The use of any automobile, motorcycle, motor boat, personal watercraft, water jet pack or other type of vehicle in such a state of disrepair, or so loaded, or used or repaired in such a manner as to create unreasonably loud or disturbing noises in the circumstances, particularly grating, grinding, rattling, riveting, revving or other disturbing noises.
 - (7) *Exhaust discharge.* To discharge into the open air the exhaust from any steam engine, stationary internal combustion engine, motor boat engine, motorcycle or motor vehicle except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom.
 - (8) *Noise in proximity to schools, courts, etc.* The creation of any excessive noise on any street adjacent to any school, institution of learning, library, or court, while the same is in session, or adjacent to any church during church services, which interferes with the work or worship at any such place or institution.
- b. ~~*Amplified Music—Nighttime sound-play.*~~ It shall be unlawful for any person, entity or establishment to play, operate or cause an equivalent sound level in excess of 55 dBA beyond the property of the noise source as

measured with a sound meter conforming to ANSI?ASA s1.13-2005 (or later) during the nighttime, which is the time between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, and or between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday. Additionally, at nighttime it shall be unlawful to play, operate or cause to be played or operated, any radio, amplified musical instrument (including but not limited to brass or drum instruments), or other amplification device or apparatus with the primary purpose of making sound making or reproducing musical or other sounds or cause any sound created by yelling, screaming, or loud talking between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, or between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday, in such a manner as to be plainly audible on any adjacent street or right-of-way, or adjacent to any place of public accommodations, dwelling or other residence in any adjacent street or right-of-way, adjacent place of public accommodation, or adjacent dwelling or other residence. For the purpose of this section, plainly audible shall mean any sound that can be detected by a reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities using his or her unaided hearing faculties, including the understanding of spoken speech, comprehension of whether a voice is raised or normal, or comprehension of musical rhythms.

- c. *Amplified Music—Daytime sound Play.* It shall be unlawful for any person, entity or establishment to play, operate or cause ~~to be played or operated, any radio, amplified musical instrument (including but not limited to brass or drum instruments), or other amplification device or apparatus making or reproducing musical or other sounds~~ between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, or between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, in such a manner or with such unreasonably loud volume in the circumstances as to disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities in any dwelling or other residence.
- d. *Piledrivers and other apparatus, tools or equipment.* It shall be unlawful for any contractor, subcontractor, landscaper, supplier or vendor to operate or use any piledrivers, steam shovels, pneumatic hammers, derricks, steam or electric hoists, or other apparatus, tools or equipment, the use of which is attended with loud or disturbing noises, at any time other than between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. No such use shall be permitted on Sundays or on the following legal holidays: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Fourth of July; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day. Approval for such use may be granted by the City for performing emergency repairs outside of the hours specified. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to prohibit an owner or member of an owner's immediate family from performing maintenance, repairs, or other work on their own property at any time, provided that such work is otherwise in compliance with City ordinances.
- e. *Public interest events.* Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, on application to, and approval by, the Chief of Police, written permits may be granted to broadcast programs of music, speeches, general entertainment, or announcements as a part of and incident to community celebrations of national, State, or City occasions, public festivals, or other public interest events, provided that traffic on the streets is controlled. In determining whether or not to issue such a permit, the Chief of Police shall weigh the public interests in the event against the noise and disturbance anticipated to be created by the event and must consider the intensity and duration of the noise and the area that will likely be affected. The language or content emanating from the event shall not be considered.
- f. *Exceptions.* None of the foregoing prohibitions shall apply to or be enforced against:
 - (1) Any City vehicle engaged in City business;
 - (2) Any City-hosted, City-sponsored or City-sanctioned special events;
 - (3) Excavations or repairs of bridges, streets or highways, by or on behalf of the City, county or state during the night, when the public welfare and convenience renders it impossible to perform the work during the day; nor shall the same apply to work performed by public utility companies under like conditions and circumstances, or when there is urgent necessity therefor;

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- (4) Construction activities performed by or on behalf of a governmental agency, including, but not limited to, construction, repair or maintenance of public buildings and drainage facilities, dredging activities, beach renourishment activities, and other public projects.
- g. *Enforcement factors.* Factors to be considered in determining whether a noise is unreasonably loud, disturbing, or excessive for the purposes of this section shall include, but are not limited to, any or all of the following:
- (1) The intensity and volume of the noise;
 - (2) The intensity of the background noise, if any;
 - (3) Whether the nature of the noise is usual or unusual;
 - (4) Whether the origin of the noise IS associated with nature or human-made activity;
 - (5) The proximity of the noise to sleeping facilities;
 - (6) The land use, nature, and zoning of the area from which the noise emanates and the area where it is received;
 - (7) The time of day or night, along with the day of the week and time of year, when the noise occurs;
 - (8) The time duration of the noise;
 - (9) Whether the sound source is temporary;
 - (10) Whether the noise is recurrent, intermittent or constant;
 - (11) Whether or not noise abatement measures are possible and whether or not they are used to reduce the noise level;
 - (12) The number of people and their activities that are affected by the noise;
 - (13) The existence of complaints concerning the noise from persons or premises affected by the noise;
 - (14) Whether the noise in the circumstances would disturb a reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities; and
 - (15) The nature of any communicative content of the noise shall not be considered for the purpose of this section.
- h. *Violations and penalties.* A violation of this section is a misdemeanor punishable pursuant to section 1-3-66. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.
- i. *Nuisance.*
- (1) Violation of this section is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, which may be abated by the City by restraining order, preliminary and permanent injunction, or other means provided for by law, and the City may take action to recover the costs of the nuisance abatement.
 - (2) In addition to the penalties set forth in subsection (h) of this section, repeated violations of this section by a person who owns, manages, operates, is a business agent of, or otherwise controls a business establishment may result in the suspension or revocation of any business license issued to the premises on which the violations occurred in accordance with section 7-1-15.

(Code 1994, § 9-2-5; Ord. No. 1999-15, 6-22-1999; Ord. No. 2001-4, § 1, 3-27-2001; Ord. No. 2003-15, § 1, 11-25-2003; Ord. No. 2016-02, § 1, 2-23-2016; Ord. No. 2018-04, § 1, 4-24-2018)

ORDINANCE 2026-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 9- OFFENSES, CHAPTER 2- OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE, SECTION 9-2-5- NOISE, TO REGULATE NIGHTTIME AND DAYTIME SOUND AND ADD MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE DECIBEL LEVELS AT DIFFERENT TIMES OF THE DAY.

WHEREAS, excessive or uncontrolled noise can substantially interfere with residents' sleep, peace, and comfort, degrading the quality of life in residential neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, measurable noise levels—defined in decibels (dB)—allow clear standards and objective enforcement across varying districts and times; and,

WHEREAS, during designated quiet hours, typically evening through early morning, lower decibel thresholds protect residents from undue disturbance; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized under South Carolina law to enact regulations addressing nuisances, public welfare, and residential tranquility.

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 9-2-5. Noise. Subsections (b.) and (c.) be amended as follows:

b. *Nighttime sound.* It shall be unlawful for any person, entity or establishment to play, operate or cause an equivalent sound level in excess of 55 dBA beyond the property of the noise source as measured with a sound meter conforming to ANSI/ASA S1.13-2005 (or later) during the nighttime, which is the time between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday, and between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday. Additionally, at nighttime it shall be unlawful to play, operate or cause to be played or operated, any radio, amplified musical instrument (including but not limited to brass or drum instruments), or other amplification device or apparatus with the primary purpose of making sound or cause any sound created by yelling, screaming, or loud talking , in such a manner as to be plainly audible on any adjacent street or right-of-way, or adjacent to any place of public accommodations, dwelling or other residence. For the purpose of this section, plainly audible shall mean any sound that can be detected by a person of ordinary sensibilities using his or her unaided hearing faculties, including the understanding of spoken speech, comprehension of whether a voice is raised or normal, or comprehension of musical rhythms.

c. *Daytime sound.* It shall be unlawful for any person, entity or establishment to play, operate or cause sound between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, or between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, in such a manner or with such unreasonably loud volume in the circumstances as to disturb

the quiet, comfort or repose of any reasonable person of ordinary sensibilities in any dwelling or other residence.

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 THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF ISLE OF PALMS, ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Phillip Pounds, Mayor

(Seal)

Attest:

Nicole DeNeane, City Clerk

First Reading: _____

Public Hearing: _____

Second Reading: _____

Ratification: _____



City of Isle of Palms, South Carolina

Proclamation 2026-01

Declaring April 24th and December 4th, 2026 as Arbor Day in the City of Isle of Palms, SC

WHEREAS in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS trees — wherever they are planted — are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Isle of Palms City Council designates the last Friday in April and the first Friday in December as Arbor Day in the City of Isle of Palms, South Carolina.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk