

A RESOLUTION

OF THE GREENWOOD COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX COMMISSION REGARDING THE FORM OF THE PROPOSED BALLOT PURSUANT TO TITLE 4, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 3 OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, Sections 4-10-300 through 4-10-380 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the "*CPST Act*"), allow for the imposition of a one percent sales and use tax by ordinance, subject to a referendum within the County to fund specific capital improvement projects and for a limited amount of time not to exceed 8 years, or 7 years in the case of the reimposition of an existing sales and use tax;

WHEREAS, the Greenwood County Capital Project Sales Tax Commission (the "*Commission*") was created pursuant to Section 4-10-320 of the CPST Act, by resolution of Greenwood County Council (the "*County Council*");

WHEREAS, six commissioners have been appointed in accordance with the CPST Act;

WHEREAS, the Commission received \$260 million of funding proposals for capital projects;

WHEREAS, the County estimates that sales tax proceeds will generate approximately \$121 million;

WHEREAS, the Commission has reviewed all projects and made a determination of the purposes for which the sales and use tax imposed under the CPST Act should be imposed and the projects funded thereby, and formulated the ballot question to be placed on the ballot, if County Council approves an ordinance (the "*CPST Ordinance*") to place the question as formulated by the Commission on the ballot for the November 5, 2024, general election; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is recommending a list of projects with a total estimated cost of approximately \$121 million.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREENWOOD COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECT SALES TAX COMMISSION IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED:

Section 1 Formulation of Ballot Question.

The question as formulated by the Commission in discharging its responsibilities under Section 4-10-320(C) of the CPST Act is attached as Exhibit A (the "*Ballot Question*").

Section 2 Provision of Ballot Question to County Council.

Pursuant to Sections 4-10-320(C) and 4-10-330(D) of the CPST Act, the Commission has determined the question to be submitted to County Council for the referendum on November 5, 2024, must read substantially as set forth in Exhibit A, with such modifications and changes thereto as may be required or authorized by law and approved by County Council. The Chair of the Commission is hereby directed to provide this resolution and the Ballot Question to the County Council for its consideration. To the extent of any challenge of any projects on the ballot, the Commission explicitly finds that such projects are severable.

Section 3 Effective Date.

This resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption by the Commission.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 18th day of June 2024.

**GREENWOOD COUNTY CAPITAL
PROJECT SALES TAX COMMISSION**



Chair

EXHIBIT A
FORM OF BALLOT

Question

Must a special one percent (1%) sales and use tax be re-imposed in Greenwood County for not more than seven (7) years to raise the amounts specified for the following purposes?

1. \$10,586,521 for a Career Center to be built on or near the campus of Piedmont Technical College;
2. \$21,109,172 for the implementation of a portion of the Greenwood County Fire Service Master Plan;
3. \$13,883,718 for the design, construction, and/or equipping of the Greenwood County Public Safety Training Center;
4. \$2,257,515 for the design, replacement and/or construction of a wastewater treatment facility within the service area of and/or serviced by the Ninety Six Commissioners of Public Works;
5. \$1,611,879 for the upgrades/improvements to Fire Station #1 owned by and located within the City of Greenwood;
6. \$254,871 for upgrades/improvements to the amphitheater owned by and located within the Town of Ware Shoals;
7. \$497,435 for upgrades/improvements to the Greenwood Community Theatre located within the City of Greenwood;
8. \$1,250,511 for upgrades/improvements to the PALS Building owned by and located within the City of Greenwood;
9. \$730,981 for upgrades/improvements to the West Cambridge Park owned by and located within the City of Greenwood;
10. \$2,937,357 for upgrades/improvements to the North Greenwood Industrial Park including, but not limited to, the improvement of utilities and other services needed at or within the Industrial Park;
11. \$6,968,327 for upgrades/improvements to the Public Works Facility owned by and located within the City of Greenwood;
12. \$5,848,459 for upgrades/improvements to the interior and exterior of the facilities currently known as the Administrative Complex/Park Plaza and The Greenwood County Courthouse;
13. \$586,600 for upgrades/improvements to the Grace Street Park owned by and located within the City of Greenwood;

14. \$116,969 for upgrades/improvements to the interior and exterior of the facility currently serving as the center of operations for the Greenwood Chamber of Commerce;
15. \$1,178,055 to complete a feasibility analysis pertaining to the design and/or construction of the Greenwood County Detention Center;
16. \$4,745,913 to design and repair bridges located within Greenwood County, including but not limited to, the bridges located on: Bedford Road, Cowhead Creek Road, Dendy Bridge Road, Fairforest Drive, Jordan Road, Ridge Road, Scotts Ferry Road, Sumter Forest Road, and Watson Hill Road;
17. \$7,505,080 for the implementation of an additional portion of the Greenwood County Fire Service Master Plan;
18. \$339,728 for upgrades/improvements to the interior and exterior of the facility currently known as the Phoenix School, located in the Phoenix Community of Greenwood County;
19. \$1,022,334 for recreational upgrades, including but not limited to, the public walking track, lighting, and security features, to the Jeff May Complex, owned and operated by Lander University;
20. \$17,151,605 for design, construction, equipping, etc. of an indoor recreational facility to be owned and operated by the Greenwood County Parks and Recreation Department, to be located within, or around, the Wilbanks Sports Complex;
21. \$922,129 for upgrades/improvements to the interior and exterior of the facility currently known as the Railroad Depot, owned by and located within the Town of Ninety Six;
22. \$7,335,546 for upgrades/improvements to the South Greenwood Industrial Park including, but not limited to, the improvement of utilities and other services needed at or within the Industrial Park;
23. \$681,518 for upgrades/improvements to the interior and exterior of the facility currently known as the Arts Center, owned by and located within the City of Greenwood and Greenwood County;
24. \$1,621,296 for upgrades/improvements to the Greenwood County Recreation complexes, including but not limited to, Youngs Park (Ware Shoals), Larry Traynham Center (Ware Shoals), J.C. Fox Boozer Park (Ninety Six), and The Wilbanks Complex (Greenwood);
25. \$935,363 for the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan to remediate stormwater issues in the area known as the Ninety Six Mill Village, located in the Town of Ninety Six;

26. \$1,247,151 for the replacement/design and construction of wastewater lines within the service area of and/or serviced by the Town of Ware Shoals;
27. \$6,267,377 for the relocation of utilities in conjunction with the widening of Highway 246, and other matters related thereto, in Greenwood County.

An additional amount of \$952,000 may be spent on costs relating to the Capital Project Sales Tax program, including the administration of the planning, acquisition, construction, or improvement of the above-listed projects.

All qualified electors desiring to vote in favor of re-imposing the tax for the stated purposes shall vote, "yes," and all qualified electors opposed to reimposing the tax shall vote, "no."

Yes []

No []