

CHESTER COUNTY
FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

AN ORDINANCE

NO.: 06-22-15

TO ESTABLISH OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF CHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2015; TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR CHESTER COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2015; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF TAX REVENUES AND OTHER COUNTY FUNDS; TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER COUNTY PURPOSES; TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO BORROW MONEY IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPAYMENT OF SUMS BORROWED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF TORT CLAIMS AND WORKER'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS AGAINST CHESTER COUNTY; TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN FISCAL AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

GENERAL FUND

	Personnel	Operating	Capital	Allocations	Department Totals
101 County Council	109,675	23,350			133,025
105 County Supervisor	123,495	12,900			136,395
106 Finance	180,171	9,300			189,471
110 Human Resources	99,591	37,500			137,091
115 Purchasing Department	80,177	4,555			84,732
120 County Treasurer	175,469	48,465			223,934
125 Delinquent Tax Collector	72,532	65,660			138,192
130 Auditor	112,898	5,750			118,648
135 Tax Assessor	249,470	28,000			277,470
140 Planning and Zoning	240,790	27,300			268,090
145 Economic Development	157,778	115,358			273,136
150 Coroner	36,216	52,600			88,816
155 Registration and Election	84,878	77,150			162,028
160 County Garage	45,140	209,400			254,540
170 Building Maintenance	356,614	451,600			808,214
175 Airport				20,000	20,000
176 Information Technology	112,308	180,325			292,633
177 Utilities		650,000			650,000
179 Postage		60,000			60,000
180 Bond Insurance		3,000			3,000
181 Property and Liability Insurance		406,920			406,920
182 Worker's Compensation Insurance		275,354			275,354
183 Unemployment Benefits		30,000			30,000
185 Employee Health Insurance		1,280,000			1,280,000
186 Audit Expense		56,000			56,000
187 Catawba Regional				39,769	39,769
188 SC Association Of Counties				8,898	8,898
189 Grant Matching Funds				63,091	63,091
190 Contingent Fund				86,000	86,000
194 Copier Lease		125,000			125,000
210 GIS		41,000		9,030	50,030
215 QSI		156,205			156,205
220 Medical Services	50,453	193,173			243,626
250 Attorney Services	17,795	75,000			92,795
255 Clerk of Court	274,887	95,850			370,737
260 Family Court	113,524	101,751			215,275
265 Probate Judge	206,774	31,310			238,084
275 Chester Magistrate	279,542	47,978			327,520

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	Personnel	Operating	Capital	Allocations	Department Totals
285	Rossville Magistrate	60,569	18,600		79,169
292	Circuit Court Judge-Judge Gibbons		1,800		1,800
295	Public Defender			100,980	100,980
299	Solicitor			100,980	100,980
301	Sheriff's Department	2,227,024	418,236	31,585	2,676,845
340	Detention Center	1,407,211	425,000		1,832,211
345	Fire Coordinator	85,698	11,200		96,898
350	Rural Fire Department		394,570		394,570
355	Emergency Management	93,234	17,380		110,614
360	E911	530,278	131,693		661,971
365	Animal Control	141,739	49,060		190,799
370	Chester County Rescue Squad			6,000	6,000
375	Great Falls Rescue Squad			6,000	6,000
401	Road Department	211,027	164,950		375,977
405	Litter Control	61,336	3,450		64,786
501	E.M.S.	1,627,443	250,110	16,000	1,893,553
505	Veteran's Affairs	102,088	5,850		107,938
510	Department of Social Services			36,000	36,000
515	D.H.E.C.			39,050	39,050
530	Senior Services			16,200	16,200
540	Chester Lancaster Disabilities			4,050	4,050
545	Soil and Water Conservation			11,000	11,000
555	Indigent Patients			59,233	59,233
601	Recreation			60,000	60,000
615	Clemson Extension			12,150	12,150
625	Great Falls Hometown Association			12,000	12,000
626	Palmetto Citizens Against Sexual Assault			5,000	5,000
627	Summer Feeding Program			10,000	10,000
630	Fort Lawn Community Center			4,050	4,050
	Total Personnel	9,727,824			
	Total Operating		6,869,653		
	Total Capital			47,585	
	Total County Allocations			709,481	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND					17,354,543
MILLAGE FUNDS					
	Solid Waste Collection	240,872	436,050		676,922
	Lando Fire District		31,611		31,611
	Chester Fire District		1,706,395		1,706,395
	Library Operations		690,475		690,475
	York Tech		237,000		237,000
	Lewis Fire District		42,754		42,754
	Fort Lawn Fire District		70,000		70,000
	Richburg Fire District		90,021		90,021
TOTAL MILLAGE FUNDS					3,545,178
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS					
	E-911 Funds	194,549	256,750		451,299
	C-Funds		1,000,000		1,000,000
	Victims Assistance Fund	43,762	16,944		60,706
	Courthouse Improvements			89,718	89,718
	County Local ATAX		80,000		80,000
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS					1,681,723
ENTERPRISE FUND					
	Solid Waste Disposal	69,609	957,445	85,490	1,112,544
	Gateway Conference Center	49,859	202,500		252,359
TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND					1,364,903
DEBT SERVICE FUND					
	Lando Fire District Debt Service				73,208
	Chester County Debt Service Retirement				1,607,017
	Chester Fire District Debt Service				79,299
	Richburg Fire District Debt Service				112,860
	Capital Project Sales Tax Debt Service				233,487
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUNDS					2,105,871
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS					\$ 26,052,218

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SECTION 2: For the purposes of meeting the appropriation made in this ordinance the following receipts and anticipated revenues of Chester County are hereby allotted for such purposes, together with all other income not specifically allocated to other purposes. It is estimated that the following special revenues will accrue to Chester County during the fiscal year:

GENERAL FUND

PROPERTY TAX

Real and Personal	7,322,263
Vehicle Taxes	1,100,000
Delinquent Tax Collections	650,000
Local Option Taxes	2,200,000
Homestead Exemption	794,000
Manufacturers Reimbursement	240,000
P.I.L.O.T.	70,000
Fee-in-Lieu of Taxes	910,000
Merchants Inventory	90,024
	<u>13,376,287</u>

LICENSES, FEES, FINES AND PERMITS

Magistrates	437,500
Clerk of Court - Fines and Fees	120,000
Family Court	117,000
Tax Assessor	200
Credit Card Fee	5,000
Vehicle Decal Fees	24,544
Tax Collector	100,000
Probate Judge	45,000
Zoning Fees	14,000
Building Permits	150,000
DHEC Vital Records	7,500
	<u>1,020,744</u>

INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Local Government Revenue	1,302,462
Accommodations Tax - State Allocation	30,000
Election Commission	25,350
Veterans Affairs	5,700
Salary Supplement - Elected Officials	6,300
Operating Transfer In	100,000
Sheriff Local Sources	10,000
	<u>1,479,812</u>

OTHER INCOME

EMS Fees	1,300,000
Franchise Fees	24,000
D.S.S.	28,700
Interest Income	25,000
Rentals	25,000
Miscellaneous	75,000
	<u>1,477,700</u>

TOTAL GENERAL FUND

17,354,543

MILLAGE FUNDS

PROPERTY TAXES

Chester Fire District	1,706,395
Lando Fire District	31,611
Lewis Fire District	42,754
Fort Lawn Fire District	70,000
Richburg Fire District	90,021
Library Operations	690,475
Solid Waste Collection	676,922
York Tech	237,000

TOTAL MILLAGE FUNDS

3,545,178

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SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

E-911 Funds	451,299
C-Funds	1,000,000
Victims Assistance Fund	60,706
Courthouse Improvements	89,718
County Local ATAX	80,000
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	<u>1,681,723</u>

ENTERPRISE FUND

USER FEES	
Solid Waste Disposal	1,112,544
Gateway Conference Center	252,359
TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUND	<u>1,364,903</u>

DEBT SERVICE FUND

Lando Fire District Debt Service	73,208
Chester County Debt Service Retirement	1,607,017
Chester Fire District Debt Service	79,299
Richburg Fire District Debt Service	112,860
Capital Project Sales Tax Debt Service	233,487
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	<u>2,105,871</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$ 26,052,218</u>

To further meet the appropriations provided by this ordinance, The Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the Chester County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax necessary to meet all budget requirements, except as provided for by other revenue sources, for the operation of the county government for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

SECTION 3: All County purchases shall be made in accordance with the Ordinance establishing a centralized purchasing system for the procurement of goods and services required by Chester County in conformity with purchasing policies and procedures established and approved by the County governing body. The appropriations provided in the ordinance shall not in any case be exceeded, and any contracts which may be made or which may in any manner provide for the expenditures of funds in excess of those provided in this ordinance shall not be binding upon Chester County. Any person, firm, corporation or other organization selling supplies or commodities or rendering services to Chester County is charged with the duty of ascertaining in advance whether or not the appropriations for that purchase are sufficient to pay for the furnishing of such supplies, commodities or services.

SECTION 4: No money appropriated for any specific purpose under the provisions of this ordinance shall be used for any other purpose than that specified; provided however, that the Chester County Supervisor may reallocate budgeted but unexpended funds within any county office, department, board, commission or institution receiving County funds; provided, further that the Chester County Council or a majority thereof may in its discretion by proper resolution transfer or reallocate budgeted but unexpended funds from one County office, department, board, commission, or institution to another. Any amount appropriated in this ordinance may be discontinued at any time by appropriate action of a majority of the County governing body.

SECTION 5: The County is hereby empowered to borrow in anticipation of tax or other revenues for County purposes any sum not exceeding the amount anticipated to be received from taxes and other revenues during the current or succeeding fiscal year, and not only to pledge the taxes or other revenues anticipated in the current or succeeding fiscal year, but to pledge, also, the full faith and credit of Chester County for repayment of any sums so borrowed. Such sums shall be borrowed from any banking institution or lending agency and shall be payable at such time, upon such items and in such sums as may be negotiated between the County and the lender.

SECTION 6: The Chester County Attorney shall represent all agencies, boards and officials and subdivisions in Chester County, which are subject to the budgetary controls of the County Council. Said attorney shall not represent any organization, agency or individual in any matter coming before the County Council. In legal matters in which the County Attorney requests authority to associate other counsel, and such authority is approved by the County governing body, County funds may be expended as compensation for such associate counsel.

SECTION 7: An independent annual audit of all financial records and transactions of the County shall be made by a Certified Public Accountant or Firm of public accounts who have no personal interest, direct or indirect in the fiscal affairs of the County government of Chester County or any of its officers. The County Council may, without requiring competitive bids, designate such accountant or firm annually or for a period not exceeding one year; provided that such designation shall be made not later than thirty (30) days after the beginning of such fiscal year. Unless included in the Annual County audit, an annual audit of each agency, board, bureau or commission of Chester

County, funded in whole or in part by County funds shall be made. Copies of the annual audit and such other audits as are required by this section shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court for Chester County and provided for the Chester County Supervisor and every member of the County governing body. The audit reports shall be made available for public inspection.

SECTION 8: When employees are required to travel on official business, the County shall pay reasonable amounts for transportation, meals and lodging. If the employee's personal vehicle is utilized, the employee shall be reimbursed at a rate of forty-four and one half (56.0) cents per mile traveled. Meal expenses will be reimbursed, but may not exceed \$35.00 for a twenty-four hour period for in state travel, \$50.00 for out of state travel, and \$50.00 for Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head, South Carolina.

SECTION 9: The Chester County Tax Collector may call upon the Chester County Sheriff or any deputy or constable of the County to render such aid and assistance as may be necessary in the ejection of any occupant or tenant in possession of any property at any time when ejection shall be lawful and proper in the discharge of the duties of the office of Tax Collector. Such aid and assistance shall be rendered without cost other than those provided by law.

SECTION 10: The fiscal and budgetary year of Chester County Government shall commence on the first day of July of each year and shall end on the 30th day of June the following year. All offices, departments, boards, commissions, agencies, or institutions receiving County funds shall make a full, detailed annual fiscal report to the County Council at the end of each fiscal year. The County Council may from time to time make supplemental appropriations, which shall specify the source of funds for such appropriations. The County governing body or the County Supervisor may require reports, estimates and statistics from any County agency or department as may be necessary in the preparation of annual budgets or supplemental appropriations. The Chester County Finance Office shall provide a monthly report of revenues, expenditures and cash balances to the County Council.

SECTION 11: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the Lando Fire District in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$31,611 which shall be utilized for the support of the Lando Fire District. The total amount appropriated for the Lando Fire District is \$31,611.

SECTION 12: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$73,208 which shall be applied to the retirement of Lando Fire District bonded indebtedness. The total amount appropriated for the Lando Fire District bond retirement is \$73,208.

SECTION 13: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the Lewis Fire District in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$42,754 which shall be utilized for the support of the Lewis Fire District. The total amount appropriated for the Lewis Fire District is \$42,754.

SECTION 14: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the Fort Lawn Fire District in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$70,000 which shall be utilized for the support of the Fort Lawn Fire District. The total amount appropriated for the Fort Lawn Fire District is \$70,000.

SECTION 15: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the Chester Fire District, in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$1,706,395 which shall be utilized for the support of the Chester Fire District. The total amount appropriated for the Chester Fire District is \$1,706,395.

SECTION 16: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$79,299 which shall be applied to the retirement of Chester Fire District bonded indebtedness. The total amount appropriated for the Chester Fire District bond retirement is \$79,299.

SECTION 17: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the Richburg Fire District, in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$90,021 which shall be utilized for the support of the Richburg Fire District. The total amount appropriated for the Richburg Fire District is \$90,021.

SECTION 18: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$112,860 which shall be applied to the retirement of Richburg Fire District bonded indebtedness. The total amount appropriated for the Richburg Fire District bond retirement is \$112,860.

SECTION 19: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in the unincorporated area of Chester County, South Carolina, and the Chester County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$676,922 which shall be utilized for the support of Solid Waste Collection. The total amount appropriated for Solid Waste Collection is \$676,922.

SECTION 20: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$1,607,017 which shall be applied to the retirement of Chester County bonded indebtedness. The total amount appropriated for the Chester County bond retirement is \$1,607,017.

SECTION 21: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$690,475 which shall be utilized for the support of the Chester County Library. The total amount appropriated for the Chester County Library is \$690,475.

SECTION 22: In addition to the other taxes levied, assessed and collected under Section 2 of this ordinance, the Chester County Auditor is authorized and directed to levy upon taxable property in Chester County, South Carolina, and the County Treasurer is directed to collect a tax of \$237,000 which shall be utilized for the support of the York Technical College campus in Chester County. The total amount appropriated for the York Technical College campus is \$237,000.

SECTION 23: Agencies, boards and commissions which are partially funded by other counties and/or other governmental units must certify to the County the amount of funds appropriated by the other counties and/or other governmental units prior to receiving any of the funds appropriated by this ordinance.

SECTION 24: Funds appropriated under this ordinance from the General Fund to any Department, Board or Agency, or for any other purpose, but unexpended during the fiscal year, shall revert to the General Fund of Chester County at the end of the fiscal year.

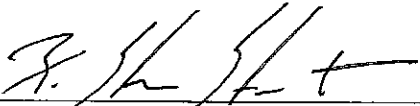
SECTION 25: Building permit fees will be based on the current scale of the International Building Codes or the actual cost of construction when the applicant can show detailed estimated cost to meet the approval of the building official. The minimum permit fee for a building permit, electrical permit, gas permit, plumbing permit, mechanical permit, transfer permit, refund permit and re-inspection permit shall be \$30.00. The minimum fee for a mobile home permit shall be \$200.00, which shall include a \$5.00 mobile home license fee. Other planning and zoning fees are listed under SECTION 26 of this ordinance.

SECTION 26: All taxes, fees, charges and assessments not otherwise allocated by law shall be deposited in the Chester County general fund with other general fund revenues. All such taxes, fees, charges and assessments shall be appropriated and allocated by the Chester County Council in the manner as other general revenues.

BUILDING		FEE (\$)
911 Address Stakes		20.00
Manufactured Homes (Minimum Fee)		205.00
Residential Plan Review		½ cost of permit
Commercial/Industrial Plan Review		½ cost of permit
ZONING		
Commercial Zoning Compliance Letters		35.00
Residential Zoning Compliance		20.00
Manufactured Zoning Compliance		20.00
Home Occupation Letter		35.00
Commercial/Industrial Zoning Site Plan Review		300.00
Zoning Site Plan Re-Review		75.00
Site Review		35.00
Certificate of Occupancy Zoning Site Review		35.00
Rezoning	Single Parcel	150.00
	Multi Parcel	300.00
	PUD	500.00
Special Exception		150.00
Variance		150.00
New Communication Towers		1000.00
Zoning Ordinance Book		35.00
Comprehensive Plan Book		35.00
Zoning Maps		35.00
Flood Plain Review	Residential	25.00
	Commercial	50.00
	Industrial	100.00
LAND DEVELOPMENT		
Variance, Flag Lot, Easement, Street Access and Private Rural Community Drive		150.00
Plat Approval (Five Sealed Copies)		20.00
Each additional Plat Approval (per sealed copy)		5.00
Sketch Plan Review		100.00
Preliminary Plat Approval (per lot)		20.00
Final Plat Approval (per lot)		10.00
Land Development Book		35.00
Grading	3 acres or less	90.00
	4 to 11 acres	120.00
	12 to 51 acres	205.00
	52 to 99 acres	340.00
	Over 100 acres	475.00
Culvert	Single	350.00
	Multi-Family	650.00
	Commercial/Industrial	650.00
Stop Sign		75.00
Speed Limit Sign		75.00
End of County Maintenance Sign		75.00
Street Name Sign		100.00

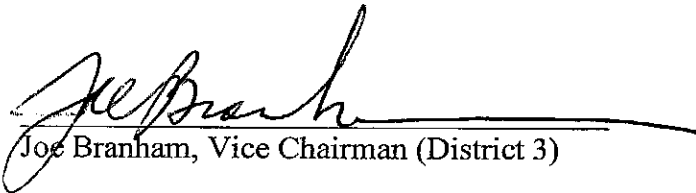
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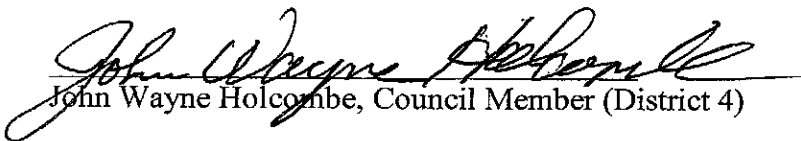
SECTION 27: This ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2015. Adopted this 22nd day of June, 2015.


K. Shane Stuart, Chairman

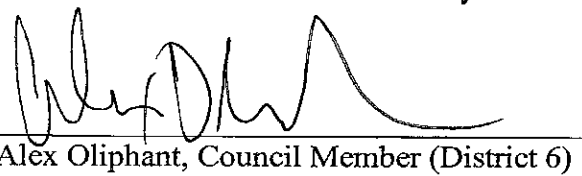

Brad Jordan, Council Member (District 1)


Archie Lucas, Council Member (District 2)

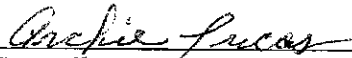

Joe Branham, Vice Chairman (District 3)


John Wayne Holcombe, Council Member (District 4)


Mary A. Guy, Council Member (District 5)


Alex Oliphant, Council Member (District 6)

ATTEST:

By: 
Councilman Archie Lucas,
Acting Clerk to County Council
Chester County, South Carolina

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Public Hearing: June 15, 2015
Third Reading: June 22, 2015

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