

# Budget Workshop Meeting

Theodore D. Washington Municipal Building, Henry “Emmett” McCracken Jr. Council Chambers, 20  
Bridge Street, Bluffton, SC

May 22, 2025

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## I. Call to Order

Mayor Larry Toomer called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

## II. Public Comment - Pertaining to Agenda Items Only

Barrett Collins 12 Red Cedar Street - Ms. Collins discussed concerns of stormwater, infrastructure and flooding in the area of her home.

## III. Workshop Items:

Stephen Steese, Town Manager, presented each of the following topics:

### 1. General Fund

FY 2026 Consolidated budget topics:

Town of Bluffton Economic Factors, FY26 Budget Goals, FY26 Proposed Budget Overview and FY26 Budget Review & Approval Process

### 2. Special Revenues Fund

Special Revenues Funds topics:

Hospitality Tax Fund and Local Accommodations Tax Fund

### 3. Stormwater Fund

Stormwater Fund topics:

The Regional Stormwater Utility Fee Comparison, FY26 Proposed Stormwater Fund Budget Revenues, and FY26 Proposed Stormwater Fund Budget Expenditures

### 4. Debt Services Fund

Debt Services Fund topics:

Legal Debt Margin Calculations as a Percentage of Debt Limit, FY26 Debt Services Fund Highlights - General Obligation Bonds, FY26 Debt Services Fund Highlights - TIF Special Revenue Bonds, FY26 Debt Services Fund Budget Revenues, FY26 Debt Services Fund Budget Expenditures, Funds Balance, FY26 Proposed Consolidated Budget

### 5. Lowcountry Regional Transportation Authority - Brian Sullivan, Executive Director

Brian Sullivan, Executive Director, conducted the annual Lowcountry Regional Transport Authority presentation.

## IV. Adjournment

The workshop adjourned at 7:30 PM.

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Marcia Hunter, Town Clerk  
Town of Bluffton, SC

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Larry C. Toomer, Mayor  
Town of Bluffton, SC

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