

ORDINANCE 2024/36

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO CONVEY REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 333 & 335 BUCKWALTER PARKWAY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND MEDICAL FACILITIES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, Beaufort County (“County”) recognizes that workforce and affordable housing is a serious public health and safety concern throughout the County, which places stress on individual families and communities at large from a lack of diversity in neighborhoods, a separation of the workforce from workplaces, imbalances in educational opportunities and community amenities, adverse impacts on child development, and a higher incidence of violent crime that affect low-income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort Memorial Hospital (“BMH”) has a goal to provide workforce and affordable housing for both healthcare employees and the public, and provide additional medical services throughout the County; and the Town of Bluffton (“Town”) has expressed a desire to support the goal of establishing affordable and workforce housing in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified two parcels of real property, owned by the County, located in southern Beaufort County in the Town, the parcels collectively consist of approximately 10.1 acres with TMS No. R610 030 000 0712 0000, and with addresses of 333 and 335 Buckwalter Parkway; collectively hereinafter referred to as the “Property”. The Property is conveniently located near grocery options, retail shopping, medical services, and multiple employment options, as well as public transit, which will further promote the County’s goal of providing citizens with much needed workforce and affordable housing and improved access to healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to support BMH and the Town’s goals by conveying the Property to BMH for One and 00/100 (\$1.00) Dollars for the purpose of developing workforce and affordable housing, and developing medical facilities to increase access to healthcare and medical in the area; and

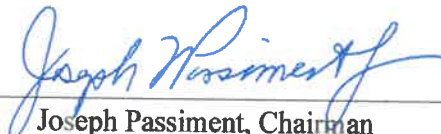
WHEREAS, the County will 1) ensure the conveyance of the Property is contingent on the Town approving the issuing of the necessary approvals and the residential dwelling units for the development of workforce and affordable housing on the Property; 2) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that the residential housing constructed on the Property is dedicated to workforce and affordable housing; 3) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that a maximum of 6,000 sq ft of medical facilities will be constructed on the Property and the maximum number of residential housing units will be constructed on the remaining Property; 4) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that development of the Property commences within three (3) years of the conveyance of the property; and 5) ensure the conveying deed for the Property shall include terms restricting the use of the Property to the purposes stated herein otherwise the Property, including all infrastructure thereon, shall revert back to the County; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Beaufort County to convey the Property to BMH to develop workforce and affordable housing as well as improved access to healthcare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council, duly assembled, authorizes the County Administrator to execute the necessary documents to convey the real property located at 333 & 335 Buckwalter Parkway for development of workforce and affordable housing and medical facilities pursuant to the terms and conditions described above.

DONE this 23rd day of September 2024.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

BY: 
Joseph Passiment, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council

First Reading: August 26, 2024 / 11:0

Second Reading: September 9, 2024 / 11:0

Public Hearing: September 9, 2024

Third and Final Reading: September 23, 2024 / 11:0

ORDINANCE 2025/08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2024/36 AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO CONVEY REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 333 & 335 BUCKWALTER PARKWAY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF WORKFORCE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND MEDICAL FACILITIES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO

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WHEREAS, Beaufort Memorial Hospital (“BMH”) has a goal to provide workforce and affordable housing for both healthcare employees and the public, and provide additional medical services throughout the County; and the Town of Bluffton (“Town”) has expressed a desire to support the goal of establishing affordable and workforce housing in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the County has identified two parcels of real property, owned by the County, located in southern Beaufort County in the Town, the parcels collectively consist of approximately 10.1 acres with TMS No. R610 030 000 0712 0000, and with addresses of 333 and 335 Buckwalter Parkway; collectively hereinafter referred to as the “Property”. The Property is conveniently located near grocery options, retail shopping, medical services, and multiple employment options, as well as public transit, which will further promote the County’s goal of providing citizens with much needed workforce and affordable housing and improved access to healthcare; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to support BMH and the Town’s goals by conveying the Property to BMH for One and 00/100 (\$1.00) Dollars for the purpose of developing workforce and affordable housing, and developing medical facilities to increase access to healthcare and medical in the area; and

WHEREAS, the County will 1) ensure the conveyance of the Property is contingent on the Town approving the issuing of the necessary approvals and the residential dwelling units for the development of workforce and affordable housing on the Property; 2) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that the residential housing constructed on the Property is dedicated to workforce and affordable housing; 3) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that a maximum of 6,000 sq ft of medical facilities will be constructed on the Property and the maximum number of residential housing units will be constructed on the remaining Property; 4) place contractual obligations on BMH to ensure that development of the Property commences within three (3) years of the conveyance of the property; and ~~5) ensure the conveying deed for the Property shall include terms restricting the use of the Property to the purposes stated herein otherwise the Property, including all infrastructure thereon, shall revert back to the County;~~ 5) ensure the conveying deed for the Property shall include terms restricting the use of the Property to the above-described Workforce housing and medical facilities for a period of thirty (30) years; and 6) ensure that if, at any time during the thirty-year period the Property ceases to be used for the above-described Workforce housing and medical facilities, the County shall have the options of (a) purchasing the Property from the Property’s owner for an amount equal to the fair market value of the improvements to the Property or (b) rescinding the covenants and restrictions affecting the Property in exchange for an amount equal to the fair market value of the Property at that time less the fair market value of the improvements thereon; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Beaufort County to convey the Property to BMH to develop workforce and affordable housing as well as improved access to healthcare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council, duly assembled, authorizes the County Administrator to execute the necessary documents to convey the real property located at 333 & 335 Buckwalter Parkway for development of workforce and affordable housing and medical facilities pursuant to the terms and conditions described above.

DONE this 10th day of March 2025.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

BY: Alice G. Howard
Alice Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sarah W. Brock
Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council

First Reading: January 27, 2025 / 10:0

Second Reading: February 10, 2025 / 9:0

Public Hearing: March 10, 2025

Third Reading: March 10, 2025 / 11:0