

**PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 – 4:00 PM
MUNICIPAL COURTROOM
2222 HIGHMARKET STREET
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA
AND LIVESTREAM:**



Notice of this meeting has been made in accordance with the
South Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC DEVICES**
3. **ANNOUNCEMENT**
 - A. Due to health concerns regarding COVID-19, face coverings will be required to attend the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting and seating will be limited. The meeting will be livestreamed on the city's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/cityofgtown/> If unable to attend in person, the public can give input concerning the item listed for the Public Hearing or for the Public Comments portion of the meeting by emailing publiccomments@georgetownsc.gov or calling 843-545-4090 to leave a voice message, please speak clearly and identify yourself by stating your name, address, and phone number to be recorded correctly.
4. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - A. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive citizen input concerning an ordinance authorizing the sale of the City of Georgetown Electric Department Operations Complex located at 800 Church Street in Georgetown, South Carolina.
5. **ADMINISTRATION**
 - A. Motion to approve second reading of an ordinance to approve a contract for the sale of public land, Electric Operation Complex at 800 Church Street, to include the terms contained in Ex.1 and to authorize the City Administrator to execute the contract and deed.
Attachments:
 - 1 07-08-21 Ordinance for Electric Operation Complex Church St property sale (PDF)
 - B. Motion to move forward with consideration of consolidating city and county services for cost savings opportunities as requested by Council Member Carol Jayroe and Council Member Jonathan Angner.
Attachments:
 - 1 Council Members Angner-Jayroe letter July 30 2021 (PDF)

6. ADJOURNMENT

A. Motion to adjourn the Special Meeting of City Council.



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ORDINANCE

DOC ID: 3347

Council Meeting Date:	2 September 2021
Department:	Administration
Issue Under Consideration:	Motion to approve an ordinance to approve a contract for the sale of public land, Electric Operation Complex at 800 Church Street, to include the terms contained in Ex.1 and to authorize the City Administrator to execute the contract and deed.
Amount Requested:	
Is Item in Current Budget?	
If no, please explain:	
Financial Impact:	
Points to Consider:	
Options:	
Staff Recommendations:	

Reviews:

Sandra E. Yudice Ph.D. Completed 07/08/2021 5:15 PM

Sandra E. Yudice Ph.D. Completed 07/08/2021 5:16 PM

Stephanie Buccione Completed 07/09/2021 10:17 AM

Georgetown City Council Completed 07/15/2021 5:30 PM

Attachments:

1. 1 07-08-21 Ordinance for Electric Operation Complex Church St property sale (PDF)

**MOTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF
PUBLIC LAND, ELECTRIC OPERATION COMPLEX AT 800 CHURCH STREET, TO
INCLUDE THE TERMS CONTAINED IN EX.1 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY
ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND DEED.**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

WHEREAS, The City of Georgetown owns certain property on Church Street in the City of Georgetown known as the City of Georgetown Electric Operations Complex ("Electric Operations Complex"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Georgetown is authorized to grant rights in public property by ordinance, pursuant to Sections 2-41(a) of the City of Georgetown Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, The City received a bona fide offer for the purchase of Electric Operations Complex; and

WHEREAS, On April 15, 2021, City Council authorized the City Administrator and City Attorney to enter into contract negotiations regarding an offer to purchase public property, subject to review by the Director of Finance and approval of City Council by ordinance, after Public Hearing; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council have been presented with a proposed contract for the sale and purchase of approximately 1.5-acres, more or less, office/warehouse property where the Electric Operations Complex is located, 800 Church Street, Georgetown County Tax Map No. 05-0027-032-00-00, and as more fully described and depicted in Exhibit A to the "Contract for Purchase and Sale of Land" (EX. I, "the Contract," to be attached and incorporated upon second reading and execution); and

WHEREAS, the Electric Operations Complex is included in the Tax Increment Finance District, which City Council established on April 18, 2019, and development of private property may serve to support the economic development of the Church Street corridor, including a development-stage catalyst project for the City's further economic development; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Georgetown authorize the sale of public lands of the city pursuant to EX. I, for economic development, in the best interests of the City of Georgetown; and

WHEREAS, On _____, 2021, the City Council held a Public Hearing regarding the sale of public property pursuant to Sec. 2-46, City of Georgetown Code of Ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Georgetown, South Carolina, that a contract for sale of public land be approved to include such terms contained in EX. I, and the City Administrator is authorized to execute same.

Property description:

TMS No.: 05-0027-032-00-00

Contract sale price: \$XXXXXX (ref. Sec. 30-4-40(a)(5), S.C. Code of Laws)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that EX. I, attached and incorporated for City Council, is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Sec. 30-4-40(a)(5), S.C. Code of Laws, as document(s) incidental to the sale and purchase of real property, to be public when the deed is executed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that such deed referenced in the Contract be delivered pursuant to the terms of the Contract.

ATTEST:

Stephanie Buccione, City Clerk

Brendon M. Barber, Sr., Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Elise F. Crosby, City Attorney

First Reading: August 11, 2021

Second Reading: _____, 2021

Public Hearing: _____, 2021



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ACTION ITEM

DOC ID: 3373

Council Meeting Date:	2 September 2021
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Financial Impact:	
Points to Consider:	
Options:	
Staff Recommendation:	

Reviews:

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 Sandra E. Yudice Ph.D. Completed 08/30/2021 2:48 PM
 Stephanie Buccione Completed 08/30/2021 3:25 PM
 Georgetown City Council Pending 09/02/2021 4:00 PM

Attachments:

- 1 Council Members Angner-Jayroe letter July 30 2021 (PDF)

TO: Georgetown City Council
Mayor Brendon Barber

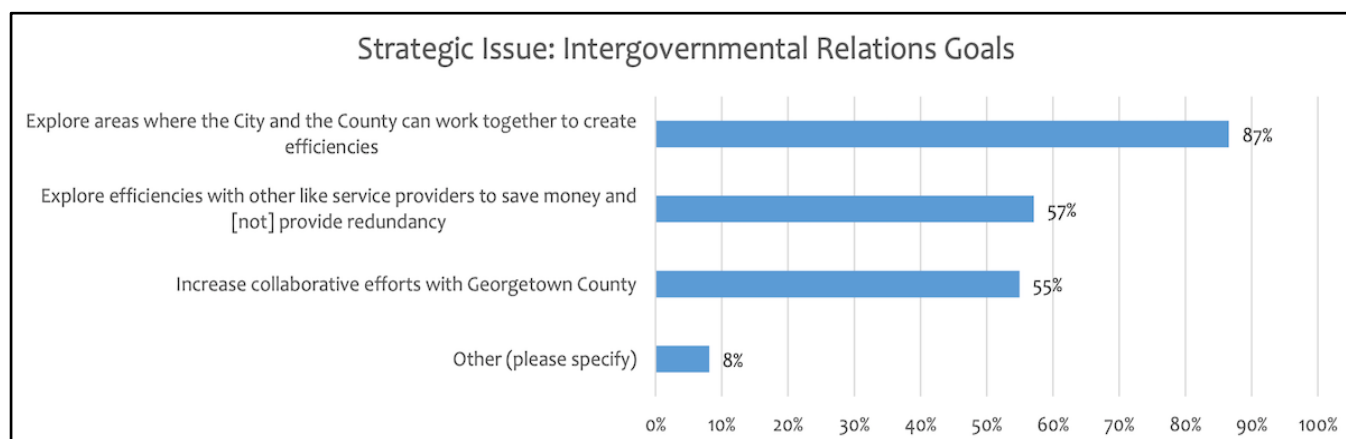
FROM: Carol Jayroe and Jonathan Angner

DATE: July 30, 2021

SUBJECT: Reconsideration of further consolidation of City of Georgetown
and Georgetown County services

The draft Strategic Plan Report just provided to us by the City Administrator makes it very clear that the issue of consolidating services with Georgetown County was very publicly broached in 2020 by the city when it sent out a strategic plan survey to the public that asked questions about Intergovernmental Relations (page 129 of the report documents).

Below are the questions along with the results:



According to the draft report, “506 [respondents] chose to answer with 87% indicating that efforts should be concentrated in exploring areas where the City and the County of Georgetown can work together to create efficiencies...”

Out of the nine “strategic issue” question groups in the survey, the 87 percent support for “exploring areas where the City and the County of Georgetown can work together to create efficiencies,” is by far the highest percentage of support for any issue.

Given that the city has very publicly brought the issue of exploring the consolidation of services between the city and county forward through the survey, found overwhelming public support, and the difficult financial position of the city, we ask for your reconsideration of moving forward with this issue.

Prior city and county councils successfully worked together and eliminated some duplicative services. We believe the current councils can successfully work together.

Again, one way to initiate an effort to explore the consolidation of services is for the city and county councils to agree to appoint a joint committee to open a dialogue between the two jurisdictions about the possibilities and possible further steps

We ask for your support for the city sending a letter to county council asking for their participation.