

RESOLUTION

COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF BEAUFORT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group met on Wednesday, January 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, the citizens of Beaufort County approved a penny sales tax referendum for the construction of highway projects throughout Beaufort County; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated collection of \$152,000,000 was combined with a substantial amount of impact fees for completion of all projects; and

WHEREAS, the economic conditions have now resulted in a loss of impact fee revenue and as a result, some of the transportation projects will have to be deferred or delayed to a later timeframe; and

WHEREAS, members of the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group participated in the original recommendation for projects approved by referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group charged the staff of all of the municipalities and the County with responsibility to prioritize and categorize projects based on funds remaining, projects started and projects completed; and

WHEREAS, the joint staff of the governmental entities presented to the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group an opinion and recommendation regarding the continuance, delay or completion of the projects; and

WHEREAS, a motion was passed by the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group to accept the joint staff recommendations regarding the penny sales tax road projects with two exceptions: (1) delay bridge construction on Bluffton Parkway Phase 5A; and (2) maintain the widening on U.S. 278 all the way to SC 170.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Beaufort County Council that the recommendations approved by the Beaufort Transportation Advisory Group be adopted as current official policy of Beaufort County with reference to the completion and/or delay of the projects approved by referendum.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2010.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

By: _____
Wm. Weston J. Newton, Chairman

ATTEST:

Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council