CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE: CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING
— AGENDA —

Council Chambers, Simpsonville City Hall | Feb. 10, 2026 | 6 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   Presiding Officer: Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

2. **ROLL CALL**
   Recorder: Ashley Clark, Clerk of Council

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
   Jan. 13, 2026

5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   (Code of Ordinances: Chapter 2. Article II. Division 2. Sec. 2-69.b.1) Citizens of the City or others who have standing in the City, such as business owners, shall be entitled to appear before council at regular meetings. Such persons may speak regarding matters that are within the jurisdiction of the City, except for personnel matters. At least 10 minutes prior to the time the meeting is scheduled to commence, such person wishing to appear before council must place his or her name, address, and topic to be addressed on the public comments sign-up list maintained by the City Clerk. Individual comments shall be limited to three minutes.

6. **BUSINESS**

   A. Approval of Welcome Center Budget
   Tee Coker, City Administrator

   B. Approval of Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Recommendations
   Maria Tooley, Finance Director

   C. Ordinance O-2026-01, Proposed ordinance for the issuance and sale of City of Simpsonville, South Carolina Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2026 not exceeding six-million seven-hundred fifty-thousand dollars ($6,750,000.00) and other matters relating thereto
   Tee Coker, City Administrator

   D. Resolution R-2026-01, Heritage Park Amphitheatre Management Contract
   Tee Coker, City Administrator

   E. Resolution R-2026-02, to Form a New Park and Budget for Development
   Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

   F. Resolution R-2026-03, for Parks Acquisition and Funding Structure Exploration
   Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

   G. Resolution R-2026-04, Citizens Academy IV
   Sherry Roche, Councilmember Ward 4

   H. Resolution R-2026-05, Reopening of Hunter Street to Through Traffic
   Chad O'Rear, Councilmember Ward 1

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

PLEASE NOTE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS ARE ACCURATE AS OF THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING BUT IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE UP TO TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT SIMPSONVILLE CITY HALL THE DAY OF THE MEETING FOR AN UP-TO-DATE AGENDA AT 864-967-9526.

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2. **ROLL CALL**

Councilmember	Present	Absent
Ward 1 – Chad O'Rear	✓	
Ward 2 – Aaron Rupe	✓	
Ward 3 – Shannon Williams	✓	
Ward 4 – Sherry Roche	✓	
Ward 5 – Tim Pinkerton	✓	
Ward 6 – Jerry Tuso	✓	
Mayor Paul Shewmaker	✓	

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **PRESENTATIONS**
   Marine Helou-Allen Executive from RIZE Prevention, Inc. presented on RIZE
   Erin Bouchillon presented on the growing feral cat population
   Jeff Hilderbran presented on the Downtown Project

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   Minutes from the Business Meeting on Dec. 9, 2025 were approved with proposed correction by Councilmember O'Rear of Howard Lents to Howard Lentz

6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**
   Geneva Lawrence, Brianne Shaffer and Kim Johnson all voiced concerns about feral cats; Jeff Rogers, Shaun Phillips, and Chelsea Vargas all voiced concerns about Hunter Road

7. **BUSINESS ITEMS**
   A. 2nd Reading of Ordinance O-2025-13, Trespass Enforcement Authorization Program
   Motion by Councilmember Pinkerton, with a second by Councilmember Roche to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance O-2025-13, Trespass Enforcement Authorization. Y-7 N-0. Motion carried.

   B. Election of Mayor Pro Tempore
   Motion by Councilmember Williams with a second by Mayor Shewmaker to nominate Councilmember Sherry Roche for Mayor Pro Tempore.

   Motion by Councilmember Pinkerton with a second by Councilmember O'Rear to nominate Councilmember Aaron Rupe for Mayor Pro Tempore.

   Councilmember Sherry Roche received three votes.

   Councilmember Aaron Rupe received four votes and therefore elected Mayor Pro Pempore

8. **ADJOURNMENT**
   Mayor Shewmaker adjourned the meeting without objection at 6:59 p.m.

Simpsonville Welcome Center
Proposed Annual Budget
July 2026 – June 2027

This budget proposal accounts for the portion of Simpsonville's accommodations tax revenue that is designated for Simpsonville's Welcome Center. The Welcome Center is housed and managed by the Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the City of Simpsonville. An annual agreement is in place between the Chamber and the City to provide guidance on how these funds are to be spent, and quarterly and annual reports are shared regularly for tracking and management purposes.

The proposed budget for July 2026 through June 2027 is highlighted in yellow. The column to its left shows the previous year's approved budget for comparison purposes. Most line items reflect a moderate increase to account for the continued growth of our community and expanded Welcome Center services.

Revenue Notes:
Welcome Center Funds are split between two intended uses: General Operations and Tourism Advertising. In accordance with our agreement with the City, eighty percent of total a-tax revenue is allocated for General Operations, and twenty percent is allocated for Tourism Advertising.

- Funds for **General Operations** are intended for recurring expenses such as rent, insurance, supplies, staff time, utilities, etc.
- Funds for **Tourism Advertising** are intended for marketing initiatives that will increase Simpsonville's brand awareness, encourage non-residents to visit our city, and promote our businesses and resources to a geographically broad demographic.

The Chamber contributes internal funding to maintain a zero-based budget for the Welcome Center.

Expense Notes:
Tourism Advertising refers to specific paid advertisements and marketing contracts that are designed to promote the Simpsonville area to potential visitors outside the area. Examples include our partnership with the Original Relocation Guide, SC Living, Summit Media, Community Journals, Post & Courier and others.

Chamber-owned Digital Marketing includes the Chamber's website and email marketing programs that primarily promote Chamber activities, but also have designated areas that promote resources for newcomers and visitors.

All other expense lines represent portions of the Chamber's budget that are attributed to Welcome Center maintenance and/or management. Each expense is calculated on a percentage that is relevant to the Chamber's overall budget (see notes in Line Item Justification & Percentage Rationale).

Simpsonville Welcome Center, Managed by the Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce
Annual Budget
July 2026 - June 2027

Budgeted Line Items	Approved 2025-2026 Welcome Center Budget	Proposed 2026-2027 Welcome Center Budget	% of Chamber Budget Allocated to WC Functions	Chamber's Total Budget Per Line Item
Welcome Center Funding from Accomodations Tax				
A Tax Revenue for WC - Operations (80%)	45,000.00	50,000.00	100%	45,000.00
A Tax Revenue for WC - Advertising (20%)	11,250.00	12,500.00	100%	11,250.00
Total from City A-Tax	**$ 56,250.00**	**$ 62,500.00**		**56,250.00**
Welcome Center Funding from Chamber				
Chamber Investment to WC	3,810.00	560.00	100%	560.00
Total from Chamber	**$ 3,810.00**	**$ 560.00**		**560.00**
Welcome Center Expenses				
Advertising & Promotion for Tourism & Relocation	14,000.00	15,000.00	100%	15,000.00
Chamber-Owned Digital Marketing (Website, Email, etc.)	1,750.00	2,125.00	25%	8,500.00
Property & Liability Insurance	1,500.00	1,500.00	25%	6,000.00
Office Supplies & Expenses	800.00	900.00	10%	9,000.00
Facility & Storage Lease Payments	11,250.00	11,875.00	25%	47,500.00
Utilities	1,750.00	1,750.00	25%	7,000.00
Payroll & Related Taxes/Fees	29,010.00	29,910.00	15%	199,400.00
Total Expenses	**$ 60,060.00**	**$ 63,060.00**		**292,400.00**
Net Welcome Center Funding	**$ -**	**$ -**		

Line Item Justification & Percentage Rationale

Revenue	
A Tax Revenue for WC - Operations (80%)	80% of WC funds to be spent on Operational expenses
A Tax Revenue for WC - Advertising (20%)	20% of WC funds to be spent on Tourism Promotion expenses
Chamber Investment to WC	Additional funds from local businesses and events bridge any gaps in funding.
Expenses	
Advertising & Promotion for Tourism & Relocation	Advertising decisions will be made in coordination with City administration.
Chamber-Owned Digital Marketing (Website, Email, etc	25% of content and traffic devoted to Welcome Center & Tourism related content
Property & Liability Insurance	25% of Chamber's insurance expenses attributed to Welcome Center.
Office Supplies & Expenses	10% of Chamber's supply expenses attributed to Welcome Center services.
Facility & Storage Lease Payments	Welcome Center areas account for 25% of Chamber's office space and storage expenses.
Utilities	25% of utilities attributed to Welcome Center areas in Chamber's office and storage units.
Payroll & Related Taxes/Fees	Includes staff time with phone calls & visitors, web management, and general administration.

Funds Requested

	Organization Name	*Project*	*Projected Event Date*	*Funds Awarded 2021-2022*	*Funds Awarded 2022-2023*	*Funds Awarded 2023-2024*	*Funds Awarded 2024-2025*	*Funds Awarded 2025-2026*	*Staff Recommendations 2026-2027*	*Fund Requested 2026-2027*	*A-Tax Committee Recommendations to Council*
1	City of Simpsonville	Simply Freedom Fest	July 2026	$35,000.00	$42,000.00	$45,000.00	$38,000.00	$50,000.00	$50,000.00	$50,000.00	$ 50,000.00
2	Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce	Sipping in Simpsonville Wine Tasting	September/ October 2026	$7,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$4,500.00	$10,000.00	$11,000.00	$12,500.00	$ 11,000.00
3	Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce	Halloween at Heritage Park	October/ November 2026	$4,500.00	$4,500.00	$4,500.00	$3,000.00	$7,500.00	$7,500.00	$8,500.00	$ 8,500.00
4	Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce	Sipping in Simpsonville Beer Tasting	May/June 2027	$7,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$4,500.00	$10,000.00	$11,000.00	$12,500.00	$ 11,000.00
8	Simpsonville Area Chamber of Commerce	Update Historic Walking Tour	November/ December 2025	$2,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$ -
11	Simpsonville Garden Club	Civic Beutification Project		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,500.00	$3,500.00	$ 2,000.00
3	Simpsonville Arts Foundation (SAFI)	Oktoberfest	September/ October 2025	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,000.00	$5,500.00	$8,000.00	$10,000.00	$ 8,000.00
8	Simpsonville Arts Foundation (SAFI)	Spring Into Art	April/ May 2027	$0.00	$0.00	$2,500.00	$1,000.00	$1,000.00	$3,000.00	$5,000.00	$ 2,000.00
7	Simpsonville Arts Foundation (SAFI)	Walking Art Tour Brochure		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$500.00	$1,000.00	$0.00
5	Everything Outdoor Fest	Everything Outdoor Fest	October 2026	$0.00	$10,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	$15,000.00	$20,000.00	$30,000.00	$ 21,000.00
6	SC Koi & Water Garden Society	South Carolina Koi & Goldfish Show	September 25-27 2026	$10,000.00	$4,000.00	$7,000.00	$4,000.00	$5,000.00	$10,000.00	$10,000.00	$ 10,000.00
9	Simpsonville Youth Theatre	Acting Up Camp/Classes/Shows		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$10,000.00	$15,000.00	$ 10,000.00
10	Simponville Echoes Ensemble Theatre	Ensemble Special Needs		$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$8,000.00	$10,000.00	$ 6,000.00
13	Simpsonville Parks & Rec	Movies in the Park	May/June 2027	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$4,000.00	$6,000.00	$ 5,000.00
14	Simpsonville Parks & Rec	Food Truck Rodeo and Concert Series	March/June 2026	$7,000.00	$10,000.00	$11,000.00	$7,000.00	$15,000.00	$12,000.00	$15,000.00	$ 12,000.00
		TOTAL		***$77,500.00***	***$85,500.00***	***$85,000.00***	***$67,000.00***	***$120,000.00***	***$156,500.00***	***$189,000.00***	***$ 156,500.00***

Total Amount Available for Allocation 2025-2026	***$156,500.00***

Halloween at Heritage Park: $7,500 to $8,500
Spring Into Art: $3,000 to $2,000
Walking Art Tour Brochure: $1,000 to $0.00

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A NOT EXCEEDING SIX MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($6,750,000) CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2026 AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

SERIES ORDINANCE
Enacted March 10, 2026

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED:

ARTICLE I

FINDINGS OF FACT

Section 1.01 Recitals and Statement of Purpose

As an incident to the enactment of this Ordinance (the ***"Ordinance"***) and the issuance of the bonds provided for herein, the City Council of the City of Simpsonville (the ***"City Council"***), the governing body of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the ***"City"***), finds that the facts set forth in this **Article I** exist, and the following statements are in all respects true and correct.

(a) The City has made general provision for the issuance from time to time of Sewer System Revenue Bonds (the ***"Bonds"***) of the City through the enactment of an ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO**" (the ***"Bond Ordinance"***) on October 11, 2016.

(b) It is provided in and by the Bond Ordinance that, upon enactment of a "Series Ordinance" there may be issued one or more series of Bonds for the purpose of obtaining funds for the expansion, improvement, repair and replacement of the sewer system of the City (the ***"System"***); providing funds for the payment of any bond anticipation note or notes that may have been issued in anticipation of the issuance and sale of Bonds; refunding Bonds or other obligations issued to provide land or facilities that are or are to become a part of the System or that are or were payable in whole or in part from revenues of the System, including any redemption premium related thereto; providing funds for the payment due of interest on such Bonds; funding a debt service reserve fund, if any, established for the benefit of the Holders of a particular Series of Bonds or restoring such funds to their required funding level; and paying the cost of issuance of Bonds, including the cost of any credit enhancement therefor.

(c) Pursuant to the Bond Ordinance, the City previously issued its $10,270,000 Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2016, dated November 15, 2016 (the ***"Series 2016 Bonds"***), which were used to defray the cost of various improvements to the System including (a) flow metering, smoke testing and manhole inspection of portions of the System to determine inflow and infiltration of stormwater into the System; (b) rehabilitation, repair and/or replacement of sewer lines and manholes; (c) lining of sewer lines as needed with cured in place pipe; and (d) various other capital improvements to the System.

(d) The City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the customers of the City to currently refund all or a portion of the Series 2016 Bonds (the ***"Refunded Bonds"***) and to finance related issuance costs (collectively, the ***"Undertaking"***).

(e) By reason of the foregoing, the City has determined to enact this ordinance as a "Series Ordinance" in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Bond Ordinance in order to effect the issuance of the bond described herein for the purpose of financing the Undertaking.

[End of Article I]

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS AND AUTHORITY

Section 2.01 Definitions

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) below, all terms which are defined in Section 2.02 of the Bond Ordinance shall have the same meanings in this 2026 Series Ordinance as such terms are prescribed to have in the Bond Ordinance.

(b) As used in this 2026 Series Ordinance, unless the context shall otherwise require, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

"Bond Ordinance" shall mean the Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO" enacted October 11, 2016, by the City Council.

"Interest Payment Date" shall mean, with respect to the Series 2026 Bond, April 1 or October 1 or any other dates selected by the City Administrator, until the principal of the Series 2026 Bond has been paid in full.

"Series 2026 Bond" shall mean the not exceeding $6,750,000 City of Simpsonville, South Carolina Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2026 authorized by this 2026 Series Ordinance.

"Trustee," "Registrar" and "Paying Agent" shall mean U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association and its successors and assigns.

"2026 Debt Service Fund" shall mean the Fund established pursuant to **Section 4.06** hereof to provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bond.

"2026 Series Ordinance" shall mean this Ordinance.

Section 2.01 Authority for this 2026 Series Ordinance

This 2026 Series Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

[End of Article II]

ARTICLE III

USEFUL LIFE

Section 3.01 Determination of the Useful Life of the System

The period of usefulness of the System is hereby determined to be not less than forty (40) years from the date hereof.

[End of Article III]

ARTICLE IV

AUTHORIZATION AND TERMS OF THE SERIES 2026 BOND

Section 4.01 Principal Amount and Designation of Series 2026 Bond

Pursuant to the provisions of the Enabling Act and the Bond Ordinance, a single Bond of the City designated as "City of Simpsonville, South Carolina Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2026" (or other appropriate annual series designation), in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Six Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($6,750,000), entitled to the benefits, protection and security of the provisions of the Bond Ordinance is hereby authorized for the purposes set forth below in **Section 4.02**.

Section 4.02 Purposes of Series 2026 Bond

The Series 2026 Bond is authorized for the purposes of financing the Undertaking.

Section 4.03 Date, Interest Rate, Maturity and Redemption of the Series 2026 Bond

The Date of Issue of the Series 2026 Bond shall be the date of its delivery. The Series 2026 Bond shall be issued as a single fully-registered Bond in the denomination of $6,750,000 or such lesser amount as is actually issued, shall bear interest at a net interest rate not to exceed 4.5% per annum (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) and payable as to interest semiannually on each Interest Payment Date. Principal of the Series 2026 Bond will be payable in annual installments on the date and in the years and principal amount as determined by the City Administrator provided that the final maturity date shall not be later than April 1, 2037.

The Series 2026 Bond shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity on such terms as agreed to by the City Administrator, upon advice of the City's Municipal Advisor, and the purchaser thereof as may be outline in such purchaser's commitment letter or term sheet. There is no Reserve Requirement for the Series 2026 Bond.

Section 4.04 Authentication and Payment of Principal and Interest of Series 2026 Bond

The Series 2026 Bond shall be authenticated by the Registrar (as identified below) on such date as the same shall be delivered. The principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bond shall be paid by check or draft mailed from the office of the Trustee to the person in whose name the Bond is registered at the close of business on the Record Date, and presentment of the Series 2026 Bond for payment shall not be required except for the final payment of principal and interest thereon.

Section 4.05 Appointment of Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association is hereby appointed as the Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent of the Series 2026 Bond. The Series 2026 Bond shall be presented for registration of transfers and exchanges as provided in the Bond Ordinance, and notices and demands in respect of the Series 2026 Bond may be served upon the Registrar.

Section 4.06 Establishment of 2026 Debt Service Fund

In accordance with the Bond Ordinance, the 2026 Debt Service Fund is hereby directed to be established with the Trustee on the date of original delivery of the Series 2026 Bond for the benefit of the

Holder of the Series 2026 Bond. Payments to and from the 2026 Debt Service Fund shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Articles VII and VIII of the Bond Ordinance.

Section 4.07 Form of Series 2026 Bond

The Series 2026 Bond together with the Certificate of Authentication and Assignment to appear thereon, are to be in substantially the form attached hereto as ***Exhibit A***, with necessary and appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as permitted or required by the Bond Ordinance or this 2026 Series Ordinance. The Series 2026 Bond shall be numbered R-1.

[End of Article IV]

ARTICLE V

EXECUTION OF BOND; NO RECOURSE

Section 5.01 Execution

The Series 2026 Bond shall be executed by the Mayor or the City Administrator and attested by the City Clerk and authenticated in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bond Ordinance.

Section 5.02 No Recourse

All covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the City contained in the Bond Ordinance or in this 2026 Series Ordinance shall be deemed to be the covenants, stipulations, promises, agreements and obligations of the City and not those of any officer or employee of the City in his or her individual capacity, and no recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Series 2026 Bond or for any claim based thereon or on the Bond Ordinance or on this 2026 Series Ordinance, either jointly or severally, against any officer or employee of the City or any person executing the Series 2026 Bond.

[End of Article V]

ARTICLE VI

APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2026 BOND PROCEEDS

Section 6.01 Use and Disposition of Series 2026 Bond Proceeds

Upon the delivery of the Series 2026 Bond and receipt of the proceeds thereof, such proceeds shall be disposed of as follows:

(a) a portion of the Series 2026 Bond proceeds, along with moneys which may be contributed by the City, which will equal the amount necessary to currently refund all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds and interest accrued thereon, shall be deposited with U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, the trustee for the Refunded Bond, to be wired immediately to the Holders thereof, to currently refund all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds on the date of closing of the Series 2026 Bond;

(b) the remaining sums shall be deposited into an account maintained by the City to be utilized to pay costs of issuance of the Series 2026 Bond; and

(c) any proceeds remaining after financing the Undertaking may be deposited in the 2026 Debt Service Fund for payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bond.

[End of Article VI]

ARTICLE VII

SALE AND AWARD OF SERIES 2026 BOND

Section 7.01 Sale and Award of Series 2026 Bond

The City Administrator is hereby authorized (i) to distribute a request for proposals to one or more financial institutions, (ii) to determine the final principal amount and maturity date of the Series 2026 Bond and (iii) to accept the proposal from such financial institution that provides the best overall deal to the City, provided that the aggregate principal amount does not exceed $6,750,000, the interest rate does not exceed 4.5% and the final maturity does not extend beyond April 1, 2037, without further action required of the City Council. The City Administrator, on behalf of the City, is hereby authorized to execute, if requested, the commitment letter or term sheet of the successful purchaser, which terms thereof are consistent herewith.

Section 7.02 Restricted Transfer

The Series 2026 Bond may be sold or transferred by the initial purchaser only to purchasers who execute an investment letter delivered to the City, in form satisfactory to the City, containing certain representations, warranties and covenants as to the suitability of such purchasers to purchase and hold the Series 2026 Bond. Such restriction shall be set forth on the face of the Series 2026 Bond and shall be complied with by each transferee of the Series 2026 Bond. Written notice of such transfer will be provided to the Trustee by the Holder.

[End of Article VII]

ARTICLE VIII

COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE CODE; BANK QUALIFICATION

Section 8.01 Compliance with the Code Generally

(a) The City will comply with all requirements of the Code in order to preserve the tax-exempt status of the Series 2026 Bond, including without limitation, the requirement to file an information report with the Internal Revenue Service and the requirement to comply with the provisions of Section 148(f) of the Code and Section 1.148-3 of the Treasury Regulations pertaining to the rebate of certain investment earnings on the proceeds of the Series 2026 Bond to the United States Government.

(b) The City further represents and covenants that it will not take any action which will, or fail to take any action (including, without limitation, filing the required information report with the Internal Revenue Service) which failure will, cause interest on the Series 2026 Bond to become includable in the gross income of the Holder thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to the provisions of the Code and regulations promulgated thereunder. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the City represents and covenants that:

(i) All property financed or refinanced by the net proceeds of the Series 2026 Bond will be owned by the City in accordance with the rules governing the ownership of property for federal income tax purposes.

(ii) The City shall not permit any facility financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Series 2026 Bond to be used in any manner that would result in (i) ten percent (10%) or more of such proceeds being considered as having been used directly or indirectly in any trade or business carried on by any natural person or in any activity carried on by a person other than a natural person other than a governmental unit as provided in Section 141(b) of the Code, or (ii) five percent (5%) or more of such proceeds being considered as having been used directly or indirectly to make or finance loans to any person other than a governmental unit as provided in Section 141(c) of the Code.

(iii) The City is not a party to nor will it enter into any contracts with any person for the use or management of any facility financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Series 2026 Bond that do not conform to the guidelines set forth in Revenue Procedure 2017-13, as amended or supplemented, of the Internal Revenue Service.

(iv) The City will not sell or lease any property financed or refinanced by the Series 2026 Bond to any person unless it obtains the opinion of Bond Counsel that such lease or sale will not affect the tax exemption of the Series 2026 Bond.

(v) The Series 2026 Bond will not be federally guaranteed within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code. The City shall not enter into any leases or sales or service contracts with any federal government agency unless it obtains the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel that such action will not affect the tax exemption of the Series 2026 Bond.

Section 8.02 Rebate

(a) In addition to the covenants contained in **Section 8.01** hereof, the City covenants that:

(i) It will comply with the provisions of Section 148(f) of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations pertaining to the rebate of certain investment earnings on the proceeds of the Series 2026 Bond to the United States Government. In this connection, the City covenants to compute, on or before the dates required of it in Section 148(f) of the Code and the applicable Treasury Regulations, the rebateable amounts, if any, pertaining to the Series 2026 Bond and to pay to the United States Government in a timely fashion all amounts required to be so paid under said Section 148(f) of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations with respect to the Series 2026 Bond. In this respect, the City will pay to the United States Government in the manner described in subparagraph (2) below an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) the excess of:

(1) The amount earned on all non-purpose investments (as defined in the Treasury Regulations) with respect to the Series 2026 Bond over

(2) The amount which would have been earned if such non purpose investments were invested at a rate equal to the yield (as defined in the Treasury Regulations) on the Series 2026 Bond, plus

(B) any income attributable to such excess.

(ii) Such payments shall be made to the United States Government, at the address prescribed in Section 148(f) of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations, as follows:

(A) Not less frequently than once each five (5) years after the date of issuance of the Series 2026 Bond, an amount such that, together with prior amounts paid to the United States Government, the total paid to the United States Government is equal to ninety percent (90%) of the amount due as of the date of such payments, and

(B) Not later than sixty (60) days after the date on which the Series 2026 Bond has been paid in full, all of the amount due as of the date of payment.

(b) In connection with the above, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to make the necessary findings and elections to enable the City to elect to proceed with any spend down exemptions to rebate as may be permitted under said Section 148(f) of the Code and applicable Treasury Regulations as he shall determine in his discretion to be in the best interests of the City.

Section 8.03 Designation of Series 2026 Bond as Bank Qualified

The City reasonably expects that the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2026 Bond, together with the original principal amount of all other tax-exempt obligations of the City (other than obligations which are private activity bonds which are not qualified 501(c)(3) bonds as defined in Section 145 of the Code) issued in the same calendar year in which the Series 2026 Bond is issued, will, in the aggregate, not exceed $10 million. The City hereby designates the Series 2026 Bond "qualified tax-exempt obligations" within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Code.

[End of Article VIII]

ARTICLE IX

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.01 Severability

If any one or more of the covenants or agreements provided in this 2026 Series Ordinance on the part of the City or any fiduciary to be performed should be contrary to law, then such covenant or covenants or agreement or agreements shall be deemed severable from the remaining covenants and agreements, and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this 2026 Series Ordinance.

Section 9.02 Table of Contents and Section Headings Not Controlling

The Table of Contents and the Headings of the several Articles and Sections of this 2026 Series Ordinance have been prepared for convenience of reference only and shall not control, affect the meaning of, or be taken as an interpretation of any provision of this 2026 Series Ordinance.

Section 9.03 State Law Continuing Disclosure

Pursuant to Section 11-1-85 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (***"Section 11-1-85"***), the City covenants that they will file with a central repository for availability in the secondary bond market when requested:

(a) An annual independent audit, within thirty (30) days of the City's receipt of the audit; and

(b) Event specific information within thirty (30) days of an event adversely affecting more than five percent of the System revenues.

The only remedy for failure by the City to comply with the covenant in this Section shall be an action for specific performance of this covenant. The City specifically reserve the right to amend or delete this covenant to reflect any change in Section 11-1-85 (including any repeal of said Section), without the consent of any Holder of the Series of 2026 Bond.

Section 9.04 Ordinance to Constitute Contract

In consideration of the purchase and acceptance of the Series 2026 Bond by those who shall purchase and hold the same from time to time, the provisions of the Bond Ordinance and this 2026 Series Ordinance shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the City and the Holder from time to time of the Series 2026 Bond, and such provisions are covenants and agreements with such Holder which the City hereby determines to be necessary and desirable for the security and payment thereof. The pledge hereof and in the Bond Ordinance and the provisions, covenants, and agreements herein and therein set forth to be performed on behalf of the City shall be for the equal benefit, protection, and security of the Holder of the Series 2026 Bond.

Section 9.05 Additional Documents

The Mayor, the City Administrator, the Finance Director and the City Clerk are each individually fully authorized and empowered to take any further action and to execute and deliver any closing documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the delivery of the Series 2026 Bond in accordance with the terms and conditions hereinabove set forth, and the action of the officers or any one or more of them in executing and delivering any documents, in the form as he, she or they shall approve, is hereby fully authorized.

Section 9.06 Notices

All notices, certificates, or other communications hereunder or under the Bond Ordinance shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when mailed by registered mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

If to the City:	City of Simpsonville, South Carolina 425 E. Curtis Street Simpsonville, South Carolina 29681 Attention: City Administrator
If to the Trustee:	U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association Mail Code: EX-SC-WMSC 1441 Main Street, Suite 775 Columbia, South Carolina 29201 Attention: Corporate Trust Services

The City and the Trustee may, by notice given to the other parties, designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications shall be sent.

[End of Article IX]

DONE in meeting duly assembled, this 10th day of March, 2026.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

_____
Mayor

Attest:

_____
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

_____
City Attorney

First reading: February 10, 2026
Second reading: March 10, 2026

EXHIBIT A

(FORM OF BOND)

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BOND
SERIES 2026

No. R-1

Issue Date	**Maturity Date**	**Interest Rate**

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: _____

REGISTERED HOLDER: _____

The **CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA** (the ***"City"***), a body corporate and politic and a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the ***"State"***), acknowledges itself indebted and for value received hereby promises to pay, solely from the sources and as hereinafter provided, to the Registered Holder named above, or its registered assigns, the Principal Amount stated above on the payment dates set forth below, unless this Series 2026 Bond shall have been redeemed prior thereto as hereinafter provided and to pay interest on such principal amount at the Interest Rate stated above (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months), until the obligation of the City with respect to the payment of such principal amount shall be discharged. Interest on the Bond will be payable semiannually each _____ 1 and _____ 1, commencing _____ 1, 20__. Principal of the Bond will be payable in annual installments on each _____ 1 in each of the years and in the amounts as follows:

Year	Principal Amount	Year	Principal Amount

The principal and interest so payable will be paid to the person in whose name this Series 2026 Bond is registered at the close of business on the 15th day of the month immediately preceding such Bond Payment Date (the ***"Record Date"***).

The principal of this Series 2026 Bond and interest hereon shall be payable by check or draft mailed at the times provided herein without presentation or surrender of the Bond from the designated office of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (the ***"Trustee"***) to the person in whose name this Series 2026 Bond is registered on the Record Date at the address shown on the registration books. The principal of and interest on this Series 2026 Bond are payable in any coin or currency of the United States of America which at the time of payment is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

[Redemption Provisions][, together, in each case, with the interest accrued on the principal amount to the date fixed for redemption.]

This Series 2026 Bond is issued pursuant to and in accordance with the State Constitution and Title 6, Chapter 21, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended, and a Bond Ordinance (the ***"Bond Ordinance"***) duly enacted by the City Council on October 11, 2016, and a Series Ordinance (the ***"Series Ordinance"***) duly enacted by the City Council on March 10, 2026 (the Bond Ordinance and the Series Ordinance are hereinafter together referred to as the ***"Ordinances"***). Certain capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Ordinances. Certified copies of the Ordinances are on file in the office of the City Clerk and in the office of the Clerk of Court for Greenville County. This Series 2026 Bond is issued for the purpose of obtaining funds to defray the costs of currently refunding all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds and to pay costs and expenses relating to the issuance of this Series 2026 Bond.

Both the principal of and interest on this Series 2026 Bond, as the same shall become due, are payable solely from the Gross Revenues remaining after payment of the costs of operation and maintenance of the sewer system of the City (the ***"System"***). This Series 2026 Bond shall not in any event constitute an indebtedness of the City within the meaning of any provision, limitation or restriction of the Constitution or statutes of the State. The City is not obligated to pay this Series 2026 Bond, or the interest hereon, save and except from the Gross Revenues of the System remaining after payment of the costs of operation and maintenance of the System. The Bond Ordinance authorizes the issuance of additional Bonds secured by a pledge of the Gross Revenues of the System remaining after payment of the costs of operation and maintenance of the System which upon the issuance thereof will rank equally and be secured by a pledge of the Gross Revenues remaining after payment of the costs of operation and maintenance of the System and a statutory lien on the System, all on a parity with the pledge and liens given to secure the unrefunded portion of the Series 2016 Bonds and this Series 2026 Bond (collectively, the ***"Outstanding Bonds"***).

The City has covenanted to continuously operate and maintain the System and fix and maintain such rates for the services and facilities furnished by the System as shall at all times be sufficient (a) to provide for the payment of the expenses of the administration and operation and such expenses for maintenance of the System as may be necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order, (b) to provide for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Outstanding Bonds and any additional Series of Bonds, (c) to maintain any debt service reserve fund as may be established for any Series of Bonds in the manner therein prescribed, (d) to build and maintain a reserve for depreciation of the System, for contingencies and for improvements, betterments and extensions to the System other than those necessary to maintain the same in good repair and working order, (e) to discharge all obligations imposed by the Enabling Act and the Ordinances and (f) to provide for the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all Junior Lien Bonds that may from time to time be Outstanding.

For the payment of the principal of and interest on this Series 2026 Bond there are hereby irrevocably pledged the Gross Revenues of the System remaining after payment of the costs of operation and maintenance of the System. In order to further secure the payment of the principal and interest due hereon, a statutory lien upon the System, as authorized by the Enabling Act, is hereby provided.

This Series 2026 Bond and the interest hereon are exempt from all State, county, school district, municipal and all other taxes or assessments of the State, except inheritance, estate, transfer or certain franchise taxes.

This Series 2026 Bond is transferable, as provided in the Bond Ordinance, only upon the registration books of the City kept for that purpose and maintained by the Registrar, by the Holder hereof

in person or by his duly authorized attorney, upon (a) surrender of this Series 2026 Bond and an assignment with a written instrument of transfer duly executed in blank with signature guaranteed satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the Holder hereof or his duly authorized attorney and (b) payment of the charges, if any, prescribed in the Bond Ordinance. Thereupon a new Series 2026 Bond in the principal amount then due and owing hereon but in all other respects identical hereto, shall be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor as provided in the Bond Ordinance. The City may deem and treat the person in whose name this Series 2026 Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of the principal or redemption price hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes.

For every exchange or transfer of the Series 2026 Bond, the City may make a charge sufficient to reimburse it for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution and statutes of the State of South Carolina to exist, be performed or happen precedent to or in the issuance of this Series 2026 Bond, exist, have been performed and have happened, and that the amount of this Series 2026 Bond, together with all other indebtedness of the City, does not exceed any limit prescribed by such Constitution or statutes.

This Series 2026 Bond shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been duly executed by the Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the **CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA**, has caused this Series 2026 Bond to be signed by the Mayor of the City of Simpsonville and the same to be attested by the City Clerk of said City.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

By:_____
Mayor

Attest:

By:_____
City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Series 2026 Bond is the issue described in the within mentioned Ordinances.

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
as Registrar

By:_____

Date of Authentication:_____

(FORM OF ASSIGNMENT)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto

_____

(please print or type name and address of Transferee and Social Security or other identifying number of Transferee)

the within Bond and all rights and title thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____ attorney to transfer the within Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Date:_____ _____

Signature Guaranteed:

_____

_____

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by a member firm of STMP, SEMP or MSP signature guaranty medallion program.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE)

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINANCE

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the ***"City"***), **DO HEREBY CERTIFY**:

That the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and verbatim copy of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City (the ***"City Council"***) which was given two readings on two separate days, with an interval of at least six days between the readings by the City Council. The original of this Ordinance is duly entered in the permanent records of minutes of meetings of the City Council, in the custody of the City Clerk.

That each of said meetings was duly called, and all members of the City Council were notified of the same; that a quorum of the membership remained throughout the proceedings incident to the enactment of this Ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my Hand this 10th day of March, 2026.

_____
City Clerk
City of Simpsonville, South Carolina

First reading: February 10, 2026
Second reading: March 10, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01

A RESOLUTION

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROMOTION, OPERATION, AND MANAGEMENT OF THE HERITAGE PARK AMPHITHEATRE; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the "***City Council***"), the governing body of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the "***City***") in a meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1 Findings. The Council makes the following findings of fact in connection with the adoption of this resolution (this "***Resolution***"):

(A) The City is a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the "***State***") and as such possesses all general powers granted by the Constitution and statutes of the State to such public entities.

(B) The City owns an outdoor amphitheater located in Heritage Park (the "***Amphitheatre***"), which serves as a major venue for concerts, performances, and community events. The City Council desires to ensure that the Heritage Park Amphitheatre is promoted, operated, and managed in a manner that enhances programming opportunities, improves operational efficiency, and serves the public interest.

(C) On November 3, 2025, the City issued a Request for Proposals for the promotion, operation, and management of the Amphitheatre (the "***RFP***"). A selection committee has reviewed the proposals received in response to the RFP, and, following such evaluation, the City entered negotiations with the top ranked responsive offeror. The City Council now desires to approve the selection of a manager and a contract for the promotion, operation, and management of the Amphitheatre.

SECTION 2 Selection of Manager. The City Council hereby approves the selection of Simpsonville SC Amphitheatre, LLC, an affiliate of Opry Entertainment Group, to provide promotion, operation, and management services for the Amphitheatre pursuant to the RFP.

SECTION 3 Approval of Management Agreement. The City Council hereby approves the Management Agreement for the promotion, operation, and management of the Amphitheatre between the City of Simpsonville and Simpsonville SC Amphitheatre, LLC, and authorizes the City to enter into such Management Agreement. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Management Agreement on behalf of the City.

SECTION 4 Authorization to Implement Agreement; Ratification of Prior Actions. The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions as may be reasonably necessary or desirable to implement and administer the Management Agreement in accordance with its terms. The City Council further ratifies, confirms, and approves all actions taken by the selection committee and City staff in furtherance of the Request for Proposals, the evaluation and selection process, and the negotiation of the Management Agreement.

SECTION 5 Severability. If any one or more of the provisions in this Resolution should be contrary to law, then such provision shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 6 Repealer. All resolutions or parts of any ordinances or resolutions inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict or inconsistency.

SECTION 7 Effective Date. The provisions of this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon the due adoption of this Resolution.

DONE AND RESOLVED IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED this 10th day of February 2026.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

(SEAL)

By:_____
Mayor

WITNESS

By:_____
City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-02

A RESOLUTION

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA TO DESGINATE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AS "LIBERTY PARK"; TO DIRECT THE INCLUSION OF FUNDING IN A FUTURE BUDGET FOR THE INITIAL DEVELOPMENT THEREOF; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the "***City Council"***), the governing body of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the ***"City"***), in a meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings. The Council makes the following findings of fact in connection with the adoption of this resolution (the ***"Resolution"***):

(A) The City is a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the ***"State"***) and, as such, possesses all general powers granted by the Constitution and statutes of the State to such public entities.

(B) On December 9, 2025, the City voted to approve the acceptance of certain real property identified as 0.279 acres near or at the intersection of South Main Street and Fairview Road (the ***"Property"***) by Resolution 2025-06, the terms of which are incorporated herein, the Property being located in a highly visible location at the southern entrance to the City.

(C) The City Council has determined that the Property is well suited for development as a gateway park that will enhance the City's southern entrance, contribute to the public realm, and serve as a welcoming civic space for residents and visitors.

(D) The year 2026 marks significant civic and national milestones, including the one hundred twenty-fifth (125th) anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Simpsonville and the two hundred fiftieth (250th) anniversary of the founding of the United States of America, and the City Council desires to commemorate these milestones through the naming and development of the Property.

(E) The City Council further finds that the development of the Property as a public park is consistent with the City's ongoing efforts to expand and improve its park system, enhance walkability and connectivity, and invest in small-scale public spaces that strengthen neighborhood identity and sense of place.

SECTION 2. Naming of Property. The City Council hereby names the Property "Liberty Park."

SECTION 3. Budget Direction. The City Council hereby directs the City Administrator and Finance Director to include a line item in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) in the City's next fiscal year budget for the purpose of initiating planning, design, and early development activities related to Liberty Park.

SECTION 4. Authorization to Implement; Ratification of Prior Actions. The Mayor, City Administrator, and other appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of this Resolution. All actions previously taken by the officers, employees, and agents of the City in furtherance of the matters contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and approved.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DONE AND RESOLVED IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED this 10th day of February 2026.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

(SEAL)

By: _____
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to Form:

By: _____
Ashley Clark, City Clerk

_____
Daniel R. Hughes, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03

A RESOLUTION

OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO INVESTIGATE FEASIBLE STRUCTURES AND LAWFUL FUNDING MECHANISMS TO SUPPORT THE ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF PARK PROPERTIES; INCLUDING THE EVALUATION OF A MUNICIPAL PARKS CORPORATION, NONPROFIT FOUNDATION, OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE FUNDING APPROACHES; AND TO USE THE HARLING PROPERTY ON HARRISON BRIDGE ROAD AS AN INITIAL CASE STUDY; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the "***City Council"***), the governing body of the City of Simpsonville, South Carolina (the ***"City"***), in a meeting duly assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Findings. The Council makes the following findings of fact in connection with the adoption of this resolution (the ***"Resolution"***):

(A) The City is a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the ***"State"***) and, as such, possesses all general powers granted by the Constitution and statutes of the State to such public entities.

(B) The City Council has, over a period of years, prioritized the acquisition, improvement, and enhancement of public parks and green spaces as essential components of quality of life, economic vitality, environmental stewardship, and community identity.

(C) The City Council recognizes that traditional municipal funding sources may not, alone, be sufficient to support the long-term acquisition and development of public parks and greenspace at the scale desired by the community.

(D) The City Council further finds that other municipalities have utilized a variety of lawful mechanisms, including municipal corporations, nonprofit foundations, hybrid public-private structures, impact fees, and other dedicated or alternative funding sources, to support park acquisition and development.

(E) The City Council desires to evaluate the feasibility, legal requirements, advantages, and limitations of such structures and funding mechanisms for potential use by the City of Simpsonville.

(F) The City Council has identified the Harling Property located on Harrison Bridge Road (the "Harling Property") as a potential future park site and finds that the evaluation of such property would serve as an appropriate initial case study for the analyses contemplated by this Resolution.

SECTION 2. Direction to Investigate Organizational Structures and Funding Mechanisms. The City Council hereby directs the City Administrator to investigate and evaluate the feasibility and legal requirements associated with establishing one or more of the following, or any combination thereof, to support the acquisition, funding, and development of park properties:

(A) A municipal parks corporation or similar public entity;

(B) A nonprofit foundation or charitable organization;

(C) A hybrid public-private structure; and

(D) Any other lawful organizational or funding alternative reasonably available to the City.

SECTION 3. Evaluation of Lawful Funding Sources. The City Council further directs the City Administrator to evaluate the potential use of impact fees and any other lawful funding sources that may be available for park acquisition, planning, development, and improvement, including an assessment of applicable statutory requirements and limitations.

SECTION 4. Initial Case Study – Harling Property. The City Council hereby directs that the investigation and evaluations described herein include, as an initial case study, the potential acquisition and development of the Harling Property on Harrison Bridge Road for public park purposes.

SECTION 5. Authorization to Implement; Report to Council. The City Administrator is authorized to consult with legal counsel, financial advisors, planners, and other professionals as deemed necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution and is directed to report findings and recommendations to the City Council at a future meeting.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DONE AND RESOLVED IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED this 10th day of February 2026.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

(SEAL)

By: _____
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

Attest:

By: _____
Ashley Clark, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

_____
Daniel R. Hughes, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-04

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE CITIZEN'S ACADEMY

WHEREAS, the City of Simpsonville encourages citizens to be engaged and be educated about pertinent information about City operations, including city planning and programs, ordinances, elections, and other useful information; and,

WHEREAS, Simpsonville City Council believes that a Citizen's Academy will serve the purpose of improving education about different aspects of city government for its citizens and residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Members of Council of the City of Simpsonville, in Council assembled that:

Section 1. That the City of Simpsonville Citizen's Academy is hereby established.

Section 2. That the City of Simpsonville Citizen's Academy will meet twice per year.

Section 3. That the mission of the City of Simpsonville Citizen's Academy is to provide a greater understanding of City of Simpsonville operations and to engage City residents with greater familiarity and awareness of City government.

Section 4. That the City Administrator, or its designee, is empowered to create and implement additional program details consistent with the mission of the City of Simpsonville Citizen's Academy.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

BY: _____
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Ashley Clark, Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____
Daniel Hughes

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-05

RESOLUTION TO REOPEN A PORTION OF HUNTER STREET, A CITY-OWNED STREET IN THE CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE

WHEREAS, on or about July 12, 2022, the City Council of the City of Simpsonville authorized the closure of a portion Hunter Street, said portion being located between Jonesville Road and S. Pliney Circle; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law, the South Carolina state legislature granted City Council the discretion and authority to control its streets. South Carolina Code §5-27-150 states as follows: "[t]he city council of any city containing more than five thousand inhabitants may open new streets, close, widen, or alter streets in the city when, in its judgment, it may be necessary for the improvement of the city;" and,

WHEREAS, the closure of Hunter Street reduced access and slowed down response time for police, fire and first responders, EMS, the postal service and other service vehicles to the neighborhood adjacent to Hunter Street; and,

WHEREAS, the closure of Hunter Street created a safety issue for vehicles exiting left from S. Pliney Circle to N. Main Street, a heavily traveled roadway in the City of Simpsonville; and,

WHEREAS, the closure of Hunter Street increased traffic and wait time for the public on other surrounding roads, including Academy Street, E. College Street and Church Street; and,

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing, the City Council finds and determines that the reopening of Hunter Street is necessary for the improvement of the City and is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City of Simpsonville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Members of Council of the City of Simpsonville, in Council assembled that:

Section 1. That the portion of Hunter Street between Jonesville Road and S. Pliney Circle be reopened to the public.

Section 2. That the Mayor and City Administrator are authorized, empowered or directed to take such actions necessary to effectuate this reopening.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

BY: _____
Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Ashley Clark, Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____
Daniel Hughes