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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF BARNWELL

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CLERK OF COURT

BARNWELL COUNTY S.C.

ORDINANCE No. 2024- 06- 405

COUNCIL FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR BARNWELL COUNTY

Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for operations and debt service for the County of Barnwell, South Carolina for the fiscal year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025

WHEREAS, the Barnwell County Council, pursuant to state statutes, has the authority to prepare an annual budget for all Departments and Agencies in the County Government; and

WHEREAS, the annual County budget shall be based upon estimated revenues, and shall provide appropriations for County operations and debt service for all County Departments and Agencies; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state statutes, total funds appropriated in fiscal year 2024-25 for the above purposes shall not exceed estimated revenues and funds available for expenditures in fiscal year 2024-25;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

SECTION 1: The fiscal year 2024-25 County Budget for Barnwell County, South Carolina, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by way of reference, is hereby adopted. Revenues are in the amount of \$23,685,825 and expenditures are in the amount of \$23,685,825. In the event of actual revenues exceeding budgeted revenues, Barnwell County Government has the authority to exceed the appropriated expenditures of a fund.

SECTION 2: There shall be levied, for county operations and debt service on all taxable property in Barnwell County, sufficient taxes to fund said budget. The millage rate is to be set by resolution of Council upon receipt from the County Auditor of estimated mill values for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as allowed by state statutes. There shall continue to be Special Assessment Funds for Public Safety in Rural Areas and for Rural Fire Protection. For said funds it is anticipated there shall be levied 4 mills upon the unincorporated areas of the County for operations of Public Safety in the Rural Area, 11 mills levied upon the unincorporated areas of the County for Rural Fire Protection, and 11.2 mills levied for debt service countywide. The FY2024-25 Fire Commission budget in the amount of \$500,845 is hereby approved. The Airport Budget of \$366,455 is hereby approved.

SECTION 3: The County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy ad valorem taxes, as provided for in Section 2 above, for County operations, debt service, and Special Assessment funds. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to collect said ad valorem taxes, and all other revenues which may accrue to Barnwell County from all sources pursuant to law, during fiscal year 2024-25.

SECTION 4: The billing dates, the penalty dates and amount of penalty which shall be levied for delinquent taxes shall be according to South Carolina Code Section 12-45-70 et. seq. of the South Carolina Code of Laws as amended.

SECTION 5: The School District budgets and millages, including for the Career Center, are set and determined independent of Barnwell County Council and shall be set and determined as otherwise provided by law.

SECTION 6: The expenditure of funds for grant programs included in this budget shall not be authorized unless evidence the respective grants have been approved by the grantor agency and is provided to the County Administrator. In such cases, total program expenditures shall be limited to the lessor of the total grant award(s), or the amount(s) designated in the approved budget.

SECTION 7: All provisions in other County Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8: If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

SECTION 9: Salaries listed for various elected officials are inclusive of all monies paid to the County by the State as to salary supplements.

SECTION 10: Reimbursement for personal vehicle use during official County business shall be at the prevailing IRS rate.

SECTION 11: It is anticipated from time to time during the fiscal year that equipment used by the County may need to be replaced due to wear and tear. In the event any equipment does need to be replaced, the

County Administrator is authorized to lease/purchase such replacement equipment, or to authorize purchasing the equipment outright through the designated purchasing agent of the County as funds are provided in the budget.

SECTION 12: Salaries and compensation provided for in this budget are specific to those employed as of July 1, 2024. Replacement of personnel and re-allocation of salary funding must be approved by the County Administrator.

SECTION 13: In the event the County Administrator, upon consultation with the County Treasurer and Finance Director, determines a Tax Anticipation Note needs to be issued, or that the County's Evergreen Reserve Account needs to be accessed, this shall be done following County Council's approval.

This Ordinance shall become effective on July 1, 2024.

Adopted at a meeting of the Barnwell County Council on June 24, 2024.



ATTEST

Martha B. Thompson
Martha B. Thompson, Clerk to Council

BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL

Jerry R. Creech
BY: Jerry R. Creech, Chairman

APPROVED: As To Form & Content

Joanie Winters
Joanie Winters, County Attorney

Council Vote:

Favor: 5
Against: 0
Absent: 2

1st Reading: 4/9/24
2nd Reading: 5/14/24
Public Hearing: 6/24/24
3rd Reading: 6/24/24

| REVENUE SOURCE | 21-22 Budgeted | 22-23 Budgeted | 23-24 Budgeted | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Accommodations | \$93,840 | \$107,125 | \$34,500 | \$90,000 | |
| Animal Shelter | \$8,805 | \$12,960 | \$12,960 | \$12,960 | |
| Assessor's Office | \$3,655 | \$3,500 | \$3,500 | \$3,500 | |
| Auditor's Office | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Building Permits | \$53,970 | \$75,000 | \$73,000 | \$85,165 | |
| Chem-Nuclear Business License | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| City Tax Collection Fees | \$14,515 | \$17,770 | \$17,800 | \$16,800 | |
| Collection Costs Back Taxes | \$165,755 | \$169,220 | \$170,000 | \$180,000 | |
| Current Penalty - County | \$24,325 | \$24,325 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | |
| Current Tax - County | \$5,134,225 | \$5,320,655 | \$6,023,265 | \$6,627,620 | |
| Debt Service Millage County GO Bonds/Detention Center | \$682,400 | \$683,270 | \$685,000 | \$692,165 | |
| Delinquent Tax Collection | \$429,500 | \$377,185 | \$363,760 | \$360,000 | |
| DOE PILT | \$2,276,160 | \$2,276,160 | \$2,204,090 | \$2,204,090 | |
| DSS/Utilities Reimbursement | \$0 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$9,600 | |
| Federal Inmate Housing Program | \$1,884,560 | \$1,803,165 | \$2,069,000 | \$1,908,000 | |
| FILOT Agreements | \$270,425 | \$991,690 | \$989,000 | \$881,200 | |
| Fines, Fees & Doc Stamps | \$371,930 | \$381,570 | \$381,570 | \$381,600 | |
| Franchise Fees | \$4,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Homestead Exemption | \$513,505 | \$526,790 | \$526,790 | \$605,920 | |
| Hospital Debt. Collection | \$0 | \$251,755 | \$310,600 | \$150,000 | |
| Interest Earned | \$21,310 | \$20,960 | \$120,000 | \$130,000 | |
| Jail Fees | \$7,680 | \$8,610 | \$8,700 | \$8,700 | |
| Landfill Fees | \$400,000 | \$418,720 | \$449,000 | \$449,000 | |
| Local Government Fund | \$1,012,455 | \$832,735 | \$919,145 | \$965,620 | |
| Manufacturers Depreciation Exemption | \$163,220 | \$388,600 | \$406,120 | \$250,000 | |
| Merchant Inv. | \$24,570 | \$24,570 | \$24,570 | \$24,570 | |
| Misc. Revenue | \$51,500 | \$51,500 | \$20,000 | \$174,000 | |
| Motor Carrier | \$149,000 | \$193,710 | \$180,000 | \$180,000 | |
| Recycling Revenue | \$43,630 | \$10,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | |
| Rural County Stabilization | | \$322,580 | \$387,095 | \$387,095 | |
| Rural Millage / Public Safety in Rural Area | \$130,750 | \$140,050 | \$160,000 | \$152,190 | |
| Salary Supplements | \$6,300 | \$6,300 | \$77,500 | \$95,000 | |
| Sales Tax - 1% (Rev. Fund) | \$388,930 | \$302,255 | \$300,000 | \$350,000 | |

| REVENUE SOURCE | 21-22 Budgeted | 22-23 Budgeted | 23-24 Budgeted | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Sales Tax - 1% (Rollback 71%) | \$1,412,720 | \$1,359,085 | \$1,300,000 | \$1,300,000 | |
| Solicitor's Fees | \$300 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Solid Waste Tire Fee | \$13,475 | \$12,550 | \$18,320 | \$12,000 | |
| SRO Reimb. Grants | \$409,035 | \$559,775 | \$444,880 | \$481,200 | |
| Tax Sale Overages | \$40,000 | \$38,300 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | |
| Veh tag stickers issued by Treasurer | \$15,965 | \$16,360 | \$16,500 | \$16,500 | |
| Vehicle Taxes | \$1,100,470 | \$1,142,380 | \$1,170,580 | \$1,170,580 | |
| Veterans Affairs | \$4,800 | \$4,920 | \$5,065 | \$6,600 | |
| Voter Registration | \$66,325 | \$54,790 | \$105,565 | \$58,385 | |
| Sub-Total | \$17,394,005 | \$18,935,890 | \$20,122,875 | \$20,560,060 | |
| GRANTS, TRANSFERS, AND REIMBURSABLE CONTRACTS | | | | | |
| Museum, Salaries/Fringe | \$89,780 | \$93,385 | \$10,245 | \$11,600 | |
| B/B/W Reimbursement (Magistrates) | \$71,450 | \$78,620 | \$81,910 | \$82,260 | |
| Coroner-CFRB Revenue | | | \$34,785 | \$34,785 | |
| Magistrate/Public Defender Reimbursable | \$5,500 | \$5,500 | \$4,955 | \$4,160 | |
| Courthouse Security | \$20,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Drug/Gang Task Force | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| E911 Phase II - Equipment, Insurance Telephone | \$37,000 | \$37,000 | \$37,000 | \$47,430 | |
| Fire Coordinator Fringe | \$12,615 | \$27,520 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Cemetery | \$36,135 | \$36,135 | \$20,000 | \$20,000 | |
| Museum Grant | \$6,000 | \$10,000 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Insurance, Fringe Reimbursements | \$87,830 | \$87,830 | \$38,920 | \$44,395 | |
| Victim's Assistance Surcharge | \$53,995 | \$53,995 | \$21,000 | \$21,000 | |
| Road Reimbursement (C-Funds) | \$180,000 | \$180,000 | \$100,000 | \$327,000 | |
| Sheriff's Dept/Grant | | | \$46,125 | \$175,345 | |
| SRO Reimb. From Schools | | | \$255,695 | \$312,495 | |
| Solid Waste Grants | \$10,000 | \$11,540 | \$26,510 | \$49,525 | |
| E911 Surcharge | \$193,250 | \$152,085 | \$158,490 | \$110,250 | |
| LEMPG (FEMA/EMA) | \$65,790 | \$65,790 | \$46,405 | \$55,640 | |
| Plant Vogtle | \$55,580 | \$59,080 | \$57,610 | \$80,655 | |
| DOE Emg. Response Grant | \$42,375 | \$42,375 | \$33,515 | \$47,830 | |
| Transfer from Special Due-To Accounts | \$7,500 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| IV - D Unit Cost Staff Supplements Related Fringe | \$49,500 | \$61,840 | \$62,660 | \$62,000 | |
| Fund Balance Transfer | \$0 | \$0 | \$154,030 | \$380,465 | |

| REVENUE SOURCE | 21-22 Budgeted | 22-23 Budgeted | 23-24 Budgeted | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------|
| ARPA | | | \$1,784,840 | \$1,258,930 | |
| Sub-Total | \$1,024,300 | \$1,002,695 | \$2,974,695 | \$3,125,765 | |
| Gr. Total-FY Revenue | \$18,418,305 | \$19,938,585 | \$23,097,570 | \$23,685,825 | |

| OPERATIONS | 21-22 Budget | 22-23 Budget | 23-24 Budget | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|
| ABBE Library | \$227,400 | \$240,000 | \$240,000 | \$240,000 | |
| Administration | \$172,360 | \$179,735 | \$243,600 | \$254,000.00 | |
| Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Allen/B'well Disabilities & Special Need | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Air Methods | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Animal Shelter | \$121,175 | \$154,930 | \$169,445 | \$163,085 | |
| Assessor | \$266,780 | \$262,300 | \$276,265 | \$259,810 | |
| Audit & Accounting | \$67,570 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Auditor | \$205,790 | \$212,510 | \$223,395 | \$226,190 | |
| AXIS I | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | |
| Building Inspector | \$61,915 | \$75,000 | \$75,000 | \$85,165 | |
| Buildings and Grounds | \$424,370 | \$459,600 | \$598,095 | \$671,140 | |
| Business Office | \$68,930 | \$71,800 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| C Fund Road Improvements | \$180,000 | \$180,000 | \$100,000 | \$327,000 | |
| Cemetery | \$36,135 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Circuit Judge | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Clemson Extension | \$500 | \$500 | \$500 | \$500 | |
| Clerk of Court | \$409,550 | \$418,270 | \$452,710 | \$493,995 | |
| Contingencies | \$305,080 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Coroner | \$100,135 | \$95,740 | \$99,640 | \$97,185 | |
| County Council | \$100,155 | \$108,680 | \$108,590 | \$112,680 | |
| Dept. of Social Services | \$40,250 | \$40,250 | \$40,250 | \$40,250 | |
| Detention Center | \$2,102,140 | \$2,438,950 | \$2,605,205 | \$2,756,055 | |
| Drug/Gang Task Force | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| E911 Phase II - Equip., Ins., Telephone | \$37,000 | \$37,000 | \$37,000 | \$47,430 | |
| Emergency Management | \$19,520 | \$23,020 | \$37,375 | \$48,900 | |
| Employee Fringe Benefits | \$3,083,415 | \$3,723,000 | \$4,116,450 | \$4,285,305 | |
| EMS Services | \$992,000 | \$992,000 | \$1,164,985 | \$1,249,680 | |
| Federal Inmate Program Expenses | \$348,110 | \$82,000 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Federal Inmate Sheriff's Contingency | \$250,000 | \$250,000 | \$250,000 | \$250,000 | |
| Finance | \$90,475 | \$92,810 | \$96,200 | \$97,455 | |
| Gen. Unlimited | \$30,000 | \$100,000 | \$100,000 | \$100,000 | |
| Grant Match Funds | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | |
| Health Department | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | |

| OPERATIONS | 21-22 Budget | 22-23 Budget | 23-24 Budget | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|
| Higher Ed. - Denmark Technical College | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | |
| Higher Ed. - USC Salkehatchie | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | |
| Information Line 2-1-1 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$0 | |
| Legal Services | \$40,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |
| Lower Savannah COG | \$20,090 | \$18,565 | \$18,565 | \$18,565 | |
| Magistrate Barnwell | \$177,010 | \$196,775 | \$202,635 | \$202,030 | |
| Magistrate Blackville | \$152,850 | \$162,145 | \$153,525 | \$165,950 | |
| Magistrate Week-end | \$29,540 | \$43,235 | \$49,015 | \$51,690 | |
| Magistrate Williston | \$148,410 | \$152,225 | \$157,160 | \$140,190 | |
| Medically Indigent Assistance Program | \$70,990 | \$24,655 | \$23,925 | \$20,880 | |
| Museum | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | \$15,000 | |
| Non-Departmental | \$826,405 | \$1,284,175 | \$1,207,585 | \$1,148,180 | |
| Probate Court | \$131,830 | \$137,510 | \$145,125 | \$147,840 | |
| Public Defender | \$55,000 | \$55,000 | \$60,000 | \$70,000 | |
| Public Works | \$655,620 | \$779,825 | \$857,610 | \$847,530 | |
| Recreation-Barnwell | \$8,500 | \$8,500 | \$8,500 | \$8,500 | |
| Recreation-Blackville | \$5,700 | \$5,700 | \$5,700 | \$5,700 | |
| Recreation Elko | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Recreation-Hilda | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Recreation-Kline | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Recreation-Red Oak | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Recreation-Snelling | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | \$1,000 | |
| Recreation-Williston | \$5,875 | \$5,875 | \$5,875 | \$5,875 | |
| Risk Management | \$1,400 | \$1,400 | \$1,400 | \$1,000 | |
| Road Signs - 911 Program | \$4,150 | \$2,625 | \$2,625 | \$2,700 | |
| Salary Supplements-fm State | \$6,300 | \$6,300 | \$77,500 | \$95,000 | |
| SC Reg. Dev. Alliance | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | |
| SC Association of Counties | \$7,530 | \$7,530 | \$7,530 | \$7,530 | |
| Sheriff's Dept | \$2,764,225 | \$3,072,230 | \$3,372,490 | \$3,812,970 | |
| Soil and Water Conservation | \$500 | \$500 | \$500 | \$500 | |
| Solicitor | \$135,000 | \$135,000 | \$140,000 | \$150,000 | |
| Solid Waste | \$1,379,640 | \$1,592,355 | \$1,610,530 | \$1,539,300 | |
| STEM | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | |

| OPERATIONS | 21-22 Budget | 22-23 Budget | 23-24 Budget | 24-25 Budgeted | COMMENTS |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Treasurer | \$328,900 | \$332,405 | \$348,545 | \$358,680 | |
| Veterans Affairs | \$36,110 | \$46,570 | \$50,250 | \$50,395 | |
| Voter Reg. Election | \$170,785 | \$217,995 | \$270,240 | \$219,590 | |
| Volunteer Firefighter | \$0 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | \$10,000 | |
| Retail Strategies | | | | \$10,000 | |
| Recreation County | | | \$48,455 | \$51,450 | |
| TOTAL OPERATIONS | \$17,036,115 | \$18,670,190 | \$20,002,990 | \$21,079,870 | |
| GRANTS, TRANSF & REIMB CONTR. | | | | | |
| ABBE Library Misc. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$10,000 | |
| Museum Salaries | \$58,655 | \$93,385 | \$10,400 | \$10,400 | |
| DOE Emergency Response Grant | \$42,375 | \$42,375 | \$33,515 | \$47,830 | |
| E911 Surcharge | \$193,250 | \$152,085 | \$125,585 | \$105,845 | |
| LEMPG grant (FEMA/EMA) | \$65,790 | \$65,790 | \$46,405 | \$55,640 | |
| Sheriff's Dept. - Vict. Advocate | \$39,110 | \$40,285 | \$42,490 | \$44,490 | |
| Vogle | \$55,580 | \$59,080 | \$68,110 | \$80,655 | |
| TOTAL GRANTS, TRANSF & REIMB. | \$454,760 | \$453,000 | \$326,505 | \$354,860 | |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS / OTHER | | | | | |
| Capital Improvements ARPA | | | \$1,784,840 | \$1,258,930 | |
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| TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,784,840 | \$1,258,930 | |
| DEBT SERVICE DETENTION CENTER | | | | | |
| General Fund Cash | \$300,000 | \$300,000 | \$300,000 | \$300,000 | |
| Interest | \$68,235 | \$63,535 | \$62,125 | \$65,820 | |
| Principal | \$614,165 | \$618,765 | \$621,110 | \$626,345 | |
| TOTAL DEBT SERVICE DET. CTR. | \$982,400 | \$982,300 | \$983,235 | \$992,165 | |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,784,840 | \$1,258,930 | |
| DEBT SERVICE DETENTION CENTER | \$982,400 | \$982,300 | \$983,235 | \$992,165 | |
| OPERATIONS | \$17,036,115 | \$18,670,190 | \$20,002,990 | \$21,079,870 | |
| TOTAL GRANTS, TRANSF & REIMB. | \$454,760 | \$453,000 | \$326,505 | \$354,860 | |
| Grand Total-FY Budget | \$18,473,275 | \$20,105,490 | \$23,097,570 | \$23,685,825 | |