

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Theodore D. Washington Municipal Building, Henry "Emmett" McCracken Jr. Council Chambers, 20 Bridge Street, Bluffton, SC

AGENDA

This meeting can be viewed live on <u>BCTV</u>, on Sparklight Channel 9 and 113 or on Spectrum Channel 1304.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. INVOCATION
- IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
 - 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 09/09/2025
- V. PRESENTATIONS, CELEBRATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS
 - 1. Beaufort County School District Character Student of the Month Mayor Larry Toomer
 - National Medicine Abuse Awareness Month Mayor Larry Toomer
 - Breast Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation Mayor Larry Toomer
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT
- VII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL
- VIII. WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEMS
- IX. PUBLIC HEARING & FINAL READING
- X. FORMAL AGENDA ITEMS
 - Proposed Amendments to the Town of Bluffton Code of Ordinances to include Regulations
 Addressing Abandoned and Derelict Boats in the Town's Waterways Second & Final Reading
 – Heather Colin, Assistant Town Manager
 - Consideration of an Ordinance Approving a Real Property Exchange Agreement between the Town of Bluffton and the Beaufort County School District for Certain Real Property Owned by the Town of Bluffton within Buckwalter Planned Unit Development Identified as R610-022-000-1094-0000; and Authorizing Execution and Recording of Certain Documents Therewith – Second & Final Reading – Kevin Icard, Director of Growth Management

- Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Town of Bluffton Fiscal Year 2026 Budget to Provide for the Expenditures of Certain Funds; and to Allocate Sources of Revenue for the Said Funds to Carryover Unspent Expenditures and Encumbrances from the FY2025 Budget to the FY2026 Budget – Second & Final Reading – Natalie Majorkiewicz, Director of Finance
- 4. Consideration of an Ordinance Authorizing an Economic Development Incentive Agreement between the Town of Bluffton and Spartina 449, LLC Second & Final Reading David Nelems Director of Special Projects, Don Ryan Center for Innovation
- 5. Consideration of Amendments to the Municipal Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12 Environment, Article 3 Noise Control and Chapter 13 Public Property, Article 2 Public Park and Boat Landing Rules, Section 13-38 Oyster Factory Park First Reading Heather Colin, Assistant Town Manager
- 6. Consideration of Public Art Committee Recommendation to Award a Public Art Commission at New Riverside Barn Park to Michael McLaughlin with a Fiscal Impact of \$65,000 Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager
- 7. Consideration of the Acceptance of the Hilton Head Medical Center, LLC's One Hundred Percent (100%) Annexation Petition to Annex Certain Real Property Contiguous to the Town of Bluffton's Corporate Boundaries Consisting of a Total of 1.58 Acres, More or Less, Located at the Northwest Corner of Lake Point Drive and the Buckwalter Parkway and Bearing Beaufort County Tax Map No. R600 029 000 2409 0000 Kevin Icard, Director of Growth Management
- 8. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 26, Article 2 of the Town Code to Establish Rules of Operation for Specialized Vehicles First Reading Kevin Icard, Director of Growth Management
- Consideration of Ordinance Amending Chapter 6 Businesses and Business Regulations, Appendix A – Business Licenses Rate Schedule and Appendix B – Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Code of the Town Code as Required by Act 176 of 2020 – First Reading – Natalie Majorkiewicz, Director of Finance
- 10. Approval to Authorize a Construction Contract with Gulf Stream Construction Company, Inc. for Construction of the Pritchard Street Streetscape Project (Fiscal Impact: \$2,540,000.00)
 Beth Lewis, Water Quality Program Manager
- 11. Consideration of an Ordinance for a Master Lease to the Don Ryan Center for Innovation, Inc. for Real Property Owned by the Town of Bluffton, Identified as Beaufort County Tax Map No. R610 030 000 2066 0000 located at 97 Progressive Street, Bluffton, South Carolina Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager

XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Monthly Department Reports: Police, Finance and Administration, Human Resources, Municipal Court, Projects & Watershed Resilience, Public Services, Don Ryan Center for Innovation, and Growth Management
- 2. Town Manager Monthly Report

- Consideration of a Resolution to Update the Town of Bluffton Employee Handbook Policy: 5.9
 Educational Bonus and Policy 5.11 Discretionary Awards Anni Evans, Director of Human
 Resources
- 4. Community Planning Month Proclamation Mayor Larry Toomer
- 5. Cyber Security Awareness Month Proclamation Mayor Larry Toomer
- 6. Consideration of an Ordinance and Ratification of an Easement Over Certain Real Property owned by the Town of Bluffton, identified as Beaufort County Tax Map No. R610 030 000 1848 0000, in favor of Beaufort Jasper Water & Sewer Authority, to Provide Service to the Economic Development Project at Buckwalter Place Chris Forster, Assistant Town Manager

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Discussions Relating to Arrangements for Proposed Land Acquisition in the Area along Bluffton Road (Pursuant to SC Freedom of Information Act 30-4-70 [a] [2])

XIII. ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, November 13, 2025

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