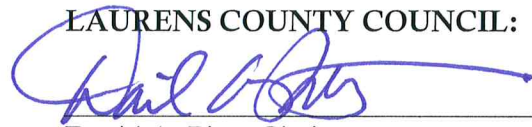


1. PURPOSES: It is the stated purpose of this Ordinance to only use so much of the revenues from the Local Option Sales Tax funds for the fiscal year 2019-2020 budget, up to the allowable 29%, if needed and necessary, so as to protect and provide for the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Laurens County, South Carolina.
2. AUTHORITY: This amending Ordinance, together with the original Ordinance #465, is adopted under the authority and process expressly granted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina and the Constitution of the State. Jurisdiction is exclusively within Laurens County.
3. APPLICABILITY: The provisions of this amending Ordinance, together with the original Ordinance #465, shall apply to all unincorporated areas of Laurens County, South Carolina.
4. LANGUAGE: The language used in the amendment, if used in the present tense, shall include the future tense. Words used in the singular shall include the plural, and the plural the singular, unless, however, the context clearly indicates the contrary. The use of the word "shall" is mandatory and the word "may" is permissive.
5. AMENDMENT: Laurens County Council hereby amends Ordinance #465, and by such amendment hereby directs and authorizes the reallocation of an amount up to 100% of the total 29% of the Local Option Sales and Use Tax Fund, less any reserves as may be deemed proper, for allocation and application to the General Fund revenues to balance the revenue shortfall as determined by the 2019-2020 Laurens County Budget Ordinance #865 Laurens County Council further authorizes and directs that by this amending Ordinance, the reallocation as set forth above shall be implemented for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020. Laurens County Council restates its commitment to apply the maximum credits as set forth by law for the taxpayers of Laurens County and further remains committed to providing the taxpayers of Laurens County maximum quality services through the wise and prudent utilization of the revenue sources available to the County for such purposes. It is also the intent of this amending ordinance to require administration and finance to review the FY 19 close out numbers and from those figures, determine the portion of the 29%, if any, that may be needed to insure a secure financial base. Such review and calculation shall be presented to the Council on or before September 30, 2019.
6. REAFFIRMATION: Except as herein amended, changed, altered or modified, the provisions of Ordinance #465, are hereby restated and reaffirmed.
7. SEVERABILITY: Should any paragraph, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance or Ordinance #465, be judged invalid or held unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of any other section of the Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional. Interpretations shall be pursuant to the laws of the State of South Carolina.
8. GENERAL PROVISIONS: Whenever the provisions of this Ordinance impose a more restrictive standard than are required in or under any other law, regulation or ordinance, the requirements herein contained shall prevail. This Ordinance may be amended as prescribed by law.

AND IT IS SO ORDAINED, this 25th day of June, 2019.

LAURENS COUNTY COUNCIL:



David A. Pitts, Chairman

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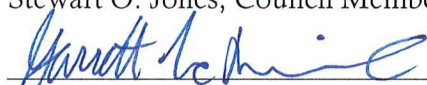
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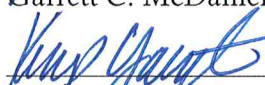
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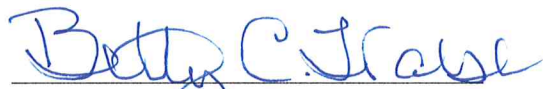


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Jeffrey Carroll, Council Member

ATTEST:



Betty C. Walsh, Clerk
Laurens County Council
Laurens County, South Carolina

READINGS:
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