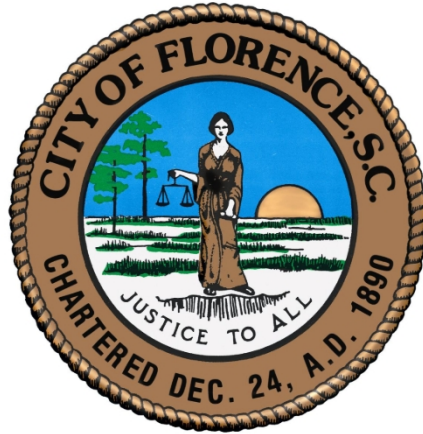
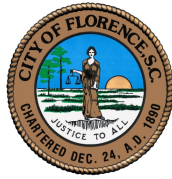


**REGULAR MEETING
OF
FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL**



Council Chambers
324 West Evans Street
Florence, South Carolina

Monday, May 11, 2026
1:00 PM



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MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026 - 1:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
324 WEST EVANS STREET
FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 13, 2026 - Regular Meeting

V. HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

SERVICE RECOGNITIONS

Wallace Wingate – 30 years – Sanitation

Robert Woodberry – 15 years – Parks, Recreation and Tourism

Stacey Watts – 10 years – Police Department

VI. SPRING 2026 CITY UNIVERSITY GRADUATION

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. A Public Hearing will be held to receive input on the City of Florence Fiscal Year budget 2026-2027.
- b. A Public Hearing will be held to receive input on the allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds awarded from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

VIII. ORDINANCES IN POSITION

a. Bill No. 2026-11 – Second Reading

An ordinance to annex and zone RG-3 the property located at 115 East Red Bud Lane, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00152-01-112.

b. Bill No. 2026-12 – Second Reading

An ordinance to annex and zone RG-2 the property located at 875 Stratton Drive, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00751-01-113.

- c. **Bill No. 2026-13 - Second Reading**
An ordinance to establish an Opioid Response Commission for the review and recommendation of opioid settlement funding distributions.
- d. **Bill No. 2026-14 - Second Reading**
An ordinance to amend the declining rate schedule for business licenses effective January 1, 2027.
- e. **Bill No. 2026-15 - Second Reading**
An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, SC for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- a. **Bill No. 2026-16 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, SC for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.
- b. **Bill No. 2026-17 – First Reading**
An ordinance authorizing the execution of an amendment to extend the Lease Agreement between the City of Florence and Pee Dee Healthy Start, Inc.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)
- c. **Bill No. 2026-18 – First Reading**
An Ordinance to amend the budget for the City of Florence, SC for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.
- d. **Bill No. 2026-19 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to raise revenue and adopt a budget for the City of Florence, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027.
- e. **Bill No. 2026-20 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to rezone the property located on Stokes Road from CG to RG-3, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 00121-01-065.
- f. **Bill No. 2026-21 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to annex and zone PD the 0.13 acre lot adjacent to 1057 Grove Boulevard, identified as Florence County Tax Map Number 07515-01-301.
- g. **Bill No. 2026-22 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to declare as surplus and authorize the conveyance of the real estate known as Tax Parcel 00121-01-029 to the Florence Section National Council of Negro Women, described more fully on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)
- h. **Bill No. 2026-23 - First Reading**
An Ordinance to declare as surplus and authorize the conveyance of the real estate known as Tax Parcel 90066-06-008 to John and Candace Greenan, described more fully on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)

i. **Bill No. 2026-24 - First Reading**

A Series Ordinance authorizing water and sewer system revenue borrowing and approval of State Revolving Fund loan for infrastructure improvements, and other matters related thereto.

X. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

a. **Resolution No. 2026-21**

A Resolution to proclaim May as Small Business Month in the City of Florence.

b. **Resolution No. 2026-24**

A Resolution authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Florence, South Carolina and School District No. 1 of Florence County, South Carolina for the governance of the Aquatics Center.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)

c. **Resolution No. 2026-25**

A Resolution of Recognition for West Florence High School Girls Tennis Team for winning the 2025 SCHSL 5A, Division II State Championship.

d. **Resolution No. 2026-26**

A Resolution recognizing May 24, 2026 as Gray Day in the City of Florence in recognition of Brain Cancer Awareness.

e. **Resolution No. 2026-27**

A Resolution to adopt the Community Development Block Grant Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

f. **Resolution No. 2026-28**

A Resolution of City Council approving Downtown Redevelopment Grants for Fourth Quarter, FY26.
(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)

g. **Resolution No. 2026-29**

A Resolution to recommend to the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) to authorize safety improvements and traffic calming measures along Cheves Street and Coit Street.

h. **Resolution No. 2026-30**

A Resolution authorizing and approving the acceptance of loan assistance monies from the State Revolving Fund Drinking Water Project to fund the replacement of lead and copper service lines, and other matters related thereto

XI. REPORT TO COUNCIL

a. **Appointments to Boards and Commissions**

(Note: This item may be discussed in Executive Session.)

b. **Utilities Update**

XII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

XIII. MAYORAL REPORT

XIV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Business Development Committee
- b. Community Development Committee
- c. Finance, Audit and Budget Committee

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. **Discussion and receipt of legal advice regarding a proposed contractual arrangement for the lease of property as referenced in Bill No. 2026-17 [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- b. **Discussion and receipt of legal advice regarding proposed contractual arrangements for the conveyance of property as referenced in Bill No. 2026-22 [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- c. **Discussion and receipt of legal advice regarding proposed contractual arrangements for the conveyance of property as referenced in Bill No. 2026-23 [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- d. **Discussion and receipt of legal advice regarding proposed contractual arrangements between the City of Florence and Florence School District One, as referenced in Resolution No. 2026-24 [30-4-70(a)(2)].**
- e. **Discussion of a proposed economic development project as referenced in Resolution 2026-28 [30-4-70(a)(5)].**
- f. **For a discussion regarding appointments to city Boards and Commissions [30-4-70(a)(1)].**
- g. **To receive an update on the AESC economic development project [30-4-70(a)(5)].**
- h. **Discussion of a contractual matter and to receive legal advice regarding PFAS litigation [30-4-70(a)(2)].**

After returning to open session, Council may take action on matters discussed during Executive Session.

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