

Charleston County Council Public Hearings (3) and Charleston County Council Meeting

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Meeting Highlights

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[Multi-County Park Amendments](#) Public Hearing - Anthony G Bryant* spoke
[Multi-County Park TIF Amendments](#) Public Hearing - Anthony G Bryant* spoke
[T-Mobile Financial Incentives](#) Public Hearing - Anthony G Bryant* spoke

Public Comments

- Anthony G Bryant* spoke again
- Mr. Fogle spoke regarding his request for development at Pinewood Drive (Item #11).
- 2 Community members spoke against Mr. Fogle's request for development until traffic issues in the neighborhood are addressed and the nature of the commercial development is outlined (Item #11).

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- Agenda items #1-10 were approved.
- #11 (1st ordinance reading) - Motion for Committee recommendation (which was to approve). Summey asked for clarification about whether any access could be made to Pinewood Drive. Pryor asked to amend his motion at 3rd reading to restrict commercial traffic through the neighborhood is necessary. Mr. Darby asked for help with petroleum trucks going through Liberty Hill. Mr Pryor interrupted and was called down by Mr. Rawl. Motion to approve 1st reading passed.
- Items #12-14 were approved.
- Executive Session to deal with the SIB. Information only ~10 minutes

General Comments by Council members

- Anna Johnson spoke about [The State of Racial Disparities in Charleston County, South Carolina 2000–2015](#) report. She requested that the published report be sent to the Council members.

- Ms. Johnson also spoke about a resident with a dry well. She expressed gratitude that the Council voted to help people with new wells and septic tanks on the islands. She is still concerned about some people that might not qualify for that help. Other residents have also expressed their concerns.
- Mr. Darby asked what department would handle the water request issues. Grants department and BCD/COG was the answer. Mr. Darby asked for an assessment of needs, particularly for the elderly.
- Mr. Rawl said that Ms. Miller would be able to handle this.
- Mr. Darby asked about guests in the back of the room. They were members of the Young Republicans from Charleston Southern.
- Mr. Rawl mentioned the City of Charleston \$20 million affordable housing bond. Requested that Ms. Miller and staff reach out and coordinate with the City of Charleston to assist and/or expedite the process.

*Mr. Bryant's comments were primarily critical of the process regarding the multi-county amendments and the incentives. He also spoke about the racial disparities report that came out yesterday (see Ms. Johnson's comments). He also said that people were trying to silence him.