

AN ORDINANCE

TO CREATE THE NEW WASHINGTON HEIGHTS SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT; TO DEFINE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT AND THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT IS CREATED; TO ESTABLISH THE NEW WASHINGTON HEIGHTS SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION OF GREENVILLE COUNTY; AND TO IMPOSE AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$13.00 ON ALL REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the citizens of the New Washington Heights area of Greenville County presented to Greenville County Council a petition signed by more than fifteen percent (15%) of the electors residing within the proposed New Washington Heights Special Tax District (the “District”);

WHEREAS, the petition requested that County Council hold an election to determine whether the electors residing in the District favor creating the District to provide for street lighting within the boundaries of the proposed District;

WHEREAS, County Council by Resolution No. 1580 certified the petition and directed the Greenville County Election Commission to conduct an election on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 on the following question:

- (1) Do you favor the creation of a special tax district, to be called the New Washington Heights Special Tax District, for the purpose of providing street lighting within the proposed district, and do you favor the imposition of a uniform service fee of \$13.00 on all real property located within the boundaries of the proposed district in order to provide sufficient annual revenue to fulfill the purpose for which the district is to be created?

Yes ____

No ____

WHEREAS, after properly noticing the election pursuant to the requirements of State law, the Greenville County Election Commission conducted the election as directed by County Council, and the question passed favorably with sixteen (16) votes cast in favor of the question and two (2) votes cast opposed to the question.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:

Section 1. Creation of Special Tax District. There is hereby created the New Washington Heights Special Tax District, the boundaries of which include the properties identified by the Greenville County Tax Map Numbers (“TMS#”) listed on *Exhibit A*, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose and function of the New Washington Heights Special Tax District shall be as follows:

To provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens by funding the costs of street lighting within the District.

Section 3. **Administrative Division of Greenville County.** The New Washington Heights Special Tax District shall be operated as an administrative division of Greenville County.

Section 4. **Annual Fee.** The Auditor and Tax Collector of Greenville County are hereby directed to levy an annual fee of \$13.00 on all real property located within the boundaries of the New Washington Heights Special Tax District. All monies collected from this fee shall be credited to the District.

Section 5. **Contract Rates.** The provision of street lighting is being provided by the electric utility provider in the area. Should utility rates increase, the County may re-establish a new maximum annual fee in order to maintain lighting within the District.

Section 6. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Bob Taylor, Chairman
Greenville County Council

Joseph M. Kernell
County Administrator

ATTEST:

Theresa B. Kizer
Clerk of Council