

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND INCENTIVE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA AND NHT AUGUSTA GROVE 17, LLC, A COMPANY PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS PROJECT ROSIE, WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY, WHEREBY SUCH PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN FEES IN LIEU OF TAXES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, Greenville County, South Carolina (the “*County*”), acting by and through its County Council (the “*County Council*”), is authorized and empowered, under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 12, Chapter 44 (the “*FILOT Act*”), Title 4, Chapter 1 (the “*Multi-County Park Act*”), Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “*Code*”) to enter into agreements with industry, to offer certain privileges, benefits and incentives as inducements for economic development within the County; to acquire, or cause to be acquired, properties as may be defined as “projects” in the Act and to enter agreements with the business or industry to facilitate the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of such projects; to enter into or allow financing agreements with respect to such projects; and to accept any grants for such projects through which powers the industrial and business development of the State of South Carolina (the “*State*”) will be promoted, whereby the business or industry would pay fees-in-lieu-of taxes (“*FILOT*”) with respect to qualified investment in projects; through all such powers, the industrial development of the State will be promoted and trade developed by inducing manufacturing and commercial enterprises to locate or remain in the State and thus utilize and employ the manpower, products and resources of the State and benefit the general public welfare the County by providing services, employment, recreation or other public benefits not otherwise provided locally; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FILOT Act, and in order to induce investment in the County, the County did previously enter into an Inducement Agreement dated June 19, 2018 (the “*Inducement Agreement*”) with NHT Augusta Grove 17, LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and a company previously identified as Project Rosie (the “*Company*”), with respect to the acquisition, construction, and installation of land, buildings, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment, furnishings and other real and/or tangible personal property to constitute the establishment of certain facilities in the County initially for the operation by a tenant for tire sealant and related activities (collectively, the “*Project*”); and

WHEREAS, the Company has represented that the Project will involve an investment of approximately \$15,000,000 in the County within the Investment Period (as such term is defined in the hereinafter defined Fee Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the County has determined on the basis of the information supplied to it by the Company that the Project would be a “project” and “economic development property” as such terms are defined in the FILOT Act, and that the Project would serve the purposes of the FILOT Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority of Section 4-1-170 of the Multi-County Park Act and Article VIII, Section 13 of the South Carolina Constitution, the County intends to cause the site on which the Project is or will be located, to the extent not already therein located, to be placed in a joint county industrial and business park established by the County pursuant to a qualifying agreement with an adjoining South Carolina county (the “*Park Agreement*”) such that the Project will receive the benefits of the Multi-County Park Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Inducement Agreement, the County has agreed to, among other things, enter into a Fee in Lieu of Tax and Incentive Agreement with the Company (the “*Fee Agreement*”), whereby the County would provide therein for the making of FILOT payments by the Company with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the County Council has caused to be prepared and presented to this meeting the form of the Fee Agreement which the County proposes to execute and deliver; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the documents above referred to, which are now before this meeting, are in appropriate form and are an appropriate instrument to be executed and delivered or approved by the County for the purposes intended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council as follows:

Section 1. Based on information supplied by the Company, it is hereby found, determined and declared by the County Council, as follows:

(a) The Project will constitute a “project” and “economic development property” as said terms are referred to and defined in the FILOT Act, and the County’s actions herein will subserve the purposes and in all respects conform to the provisions and requirements of the FILOT Act;

(b) The Project is anticipated to benefit the general public welfare of the County by providing services, employment, recreation or other public benefits not otherwise provided locally;

(c) The Project will give rise to no pecuniary liability of the County or any incorporated municipality or a charge against the general credit or taxing power of either;

(d) The purposes to be accomplished by the Project, i.e., economic development and addition to the tax base of the County, are proper governmental and public purposes; and

(e) The benefits of the Project are anticipated to be greater than the costs.

Section 2. The form, terms and provisions of the Fee Agreement presented to this meeting are hereby approved and all of the terms and provisions thereof are hereby incorporated herein by reference as if the Fee Agreement was set out in this Ordinance in its entirety. The Chairman of County Council and/or the County Administrator are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Fee Agreement in the name of and on behalf of the County, and the Clerk to County Council is hereby authorized and directed to attest the same, and thereupon to cause the Fee Agreement to be delivered to the Company and cause a copy of the same to be delivered to the Greenville County Auditor, Assessor and Treasurer. The Fee Agreement is to be in substantially the form now before this meeting and hereby approved, or with such minor changes therein as shall be approved by the County Administrator, upon advice of counsel, his execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of his approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form of Fee Agreement now before this meeting.

Section 3. The Chairman of County Council, the County Administrator and the Clerk to County Council, for and on behalf of the County, are hereby authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary to effect the execution and delivery of the Fee Agreement and the performance of all obligations of the County thereunder.

Section 4. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be separable and if any section, phrase or provisions shall for any reason be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be

invalid or unenforceable, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases and provisions hereunder.

Section 5. All ordinances, resolutions, and parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the County Council.

ENACTED in meeting duly assembled this 4th day of September, 2018.

GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Chairman of County Council

County Administrator

Attest:

Clerk to County Council

First Reading: June 19, 2018
Second Reading: July 17, 2018
Third Reading: September 4, 2018
Public Hearing: September 4, 2018

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF GREENVILLE

I, the undersigned Clerk to County Council of Greenville County, South Carolina, do hereby certify that attached hereto is a true, accurate and complete copy of an ordinance which was given reading, and received unanimous approval, by the County Council at its meetings of June 19, 2018, July 17, 2018, and September 4, 2018, at which meetings a quorum of members of County Council were present and voted, and an original of which ordinance is filed in the permanent records of the County Council.

Clerk to County Council,
Greenville County, South Carolina

Dated: _____, 2018