

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO INITIATE AND REVIEW STUDIES TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR A COUNTY OF GREENVILLE IMPACT FEE ORDINANCE AND ASSOCIATED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COVERING THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF GREENVILLE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Greenville County is experiencing historic levels of growth and development, bringing with it new opportunities but also significant demands on our infrastructure, including roads, transportation systems, public facilities, parks, and open spaces vital to the health, safety, and prosperity of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, our current infrastructure and service networks are under increasing strain, and traditional funding mechanisms are no longer sufficient to keep up with the pace of population growth and economic expansion; and

WHEREAS, in alignment with the South Carolina Development Impact Fee Act (Sections 6-1-910, *et seq.*, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended), Greenville County desires to implement a forward-looking, equitable system where new growth helps pay for the new infrastructure it requires; and

WHEREAS, establishing an Impact Fee Ordinance and a corresponding Capital Improvement Plan will empower the County to ensure sustainable, high-quality development without burdening existing residents with the cost of expanding services for new growth; and

WHEREAS, this initiative, known as “Greenville Forward: Infrastructure for Tomorrow,” represents a transformative step toward future-proofing Greenville County while maintaining the quality of life our residents expect and deserve.

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

1. Initiation of Study: The County Planning Commission is hereby directed to initiate and complete all necessary studies to develop a proposed Impact Fee Ordinance and Capital Improvement Plan that includes transportation networks, parks and recreation areas, and open spaces consistent with the requirements of the South Carolina Development Impact Fee Act.
2. Timeline: These studies and recommendations shall be completed within One Hundred Eighty (180) days from the adoption of this Resolution.

3. Collaboration and Engagement: The Planning Commission shall consult with appropriate County departments and staff, external service providers, and review relevant local, state, and regional planning documents. Additionally, the Commission shall host a minimum of three public input sessions and conduct surveys to incorporate feedback from citizens, developers, and community stakeholders.

4. Transparency and Accountability: The Planning Commission shall deliver quarterly progress reports to the County Council and publish summary updates to the public through the County's website and official communication channels.

5. Use of Expert Assistance: The County Administrator is authorized to engage one or more professional consultants specializing in infrastructure planning and impact fee analysis to assist the Planning Commission. Consultants shall be retained in accordance with County Procurement Ordinances.

6. Vision for a Sustainable Future: Greenville County Council affirms that the successful implementation of this initiative will ensure growth remains sustainable, infrastructure remains strong, and our communities continue to thrive for generations to come.

ADOPTED IN REGULAR MEETING THIS ___ DAY OF _____, 2025.

GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Benton Blount, Chairman
County Council

ATTEST:

Regina McCaskill
Clerk to Council

Joseph M. Kernell
County Administrator