

AN ORDINANCE

FINDING THAT CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT MAY ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING \$70,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, TO AUTHORIZE CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT TO ISSUE SUCH BONDS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF THE SAID FINDING AND AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of a Resolution passed by County Council of Charleston County on July 20, 1982, a Public Hearing was held in the Charleston County Park and Recreation District (the "District") on Monday, January 12, 2026, in the District's Office, 861 Riverland Drive, James Island, South Carolina. The Notice of said Hearing was published in *The Post & Courier*, a newspaper of general circulation in Charleston County, on December 14, 21 and 28, 2025. According to the Petition signed by the District dated January 12, 2026, the Hearing was conducted in accordance with Section 6-11-850, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Code") and no one opposed the action proposed by the District in issuing not exceeding \$70,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds of the District in one or more series; and

WHEREAS, by action previously taken, County Council of Charleston County, which is the governing body of Charleston County (hereinafter called "County Council"), ordered a public hearing on the question of the issuance of not exceeding \$70,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds of the District in one or more series to be held in County Council Chambers, County Office Building, Charleston, South Carolina, beginning at 6:30 P.M., on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, and notice of such public hearing was duly published once a week for three successive weeks in *The Post & Courier*, which is a newspaper of general circulation in Charleston County, on February 13, 20 and 27, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the said hearing has been duly held and it is now in order for County Council to proceed, after due deliberation, in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 1189 of 1974, as amended by Act No. 212 of 1975, now codified as Article 5, Chapter 11, Title 6 of the Code (hereinafter collectively called the "Enabling Act") to make a finding as to whether and to what extent the bonds or notes of the District should be issued;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by County Council of Charleston County, in meeting duly assembled:

SECTION 1: County Council finds that the District has complied in all respects with the requirements of the Resolution adopted by County Council on July 20, 1982.

SECTION 2: County Council finds that the District should be authorized to issue general obligation bonds to the extent of not exceeding \$70,000,000 in one or more series, as the District shall determine; provided the series or several series of general obligation bonds authorized by this Ordinance shall be issued no later than December 31, 2031.

SECTION 3: County Council hereby authorizes the District to issue general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$70,000,000 in one or more series, as the District shall determine, for the purpose of providing funds to defray the costs of constructing, improving, expanding and renovating existing and new facilities and of undertaking other capital expenditures identified in the District's capital improvements projects plan, including

but not limited to (i) developing Cooper River County Park, (ii) constructing new welcome center exhibits at Caw Caw Interpretive Center, (iii) constructing a new playground at Wannamaker County Park and undertaking improvements to Whirlin' Waters, (iv) acquiring land and constructing new rural parks, (v) constructing improvements to Palmetto Islands County Park, including to Splash Island, (vi) constructing and improving boat landings, (vii) constructing improvements to James Island County Park, including constructing a new climbing wall and undertaking improvements to Splash Zone, (viii) undertaking improvements to Lighthouse Inlet Historic Preserve and (ix) undertaking improvements pursuant to the ADA transition plan, as well as to pay costs of issuance.

For the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds, as they respectively mature, the full faith, credit and taxing power of the District shall be irrevocably pledged, and there shall be levied annually a tax without limit on all taxable property within the District sufficient, after considering revenues applied to such purpose by the District, to pay such principal of and interest on the said bonds as they respectively mature.

SECTION 4: After the third reading of this Ordinance as provided for by Section 4-9-120 of the Code, there shall be forthwith published once a week for three successive weeks in *The Post & Courier*, a newspaper of general circulation in Charleston County, a notice of the aforesaid action taken by the County Council in substantially the form of Exhibit "A" attached hereto as required by Section 6-11-870 of the Code.

SECTION 5: No election shall be required in connection with the issuance of the bonds authorized hereinabove.

SECTION 6: After its final adoption a certified copy of this ordinance, which is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of Article I, Chapter 9, Title 4, of the Code in lieu of the Resolution provided for under Section 6-11-860 of the Code, shall be forthwith transmitted to the District to advise it of the action taken by County Council, whereby the District is authorized to issue, pursuant to the provisions of the Enabling Act, its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$70,000,000 in one or more series.

SECTION 7: This Ordinance shall become effective upon third reading.

DONE AT CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, this 14th day of April 2026.

Chairman, County Council of Charleston County

ATTEST:

Clerk, County Council of Charleston County

First Reading: March 10, 2026
Second Reading: March 24, 2026
Public Hearing: March 24, 2026
Third Reading: April 14, 2026

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CHARLESTON

I, the Clerk of Council of the County Council of Charleston County, do hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the said County Council held on April 14, 2026, the foregoing Ordinance was read for the third time and then passed and adopted as a whole by unanimous vote.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand this 14th day of April 2026.

Clerk of Council, County Council of Charleston County

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF THE ACTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHARLESTON COUNTY FINDING THAT NOT EXCEEDING \$70,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED AND AUTHORIZING CHARLESTON COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT TO ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING \$70,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that County Council of Charleston County in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 1189 of 1974, as amended by Act No. 212 of 1975, now codified as Article 5, Chapter 11, Title 6, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, and following the public hearings duly held on Tuesday, March 10, 2026 and on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, has found that not exceeding \$70,000,000 General Obligation Bonds of Charleston County Park and Recreation District (the "District") should be authorized to be issued and has authorized the District to issue not exceeding \$70,000,000 General Obligation Bonds of the District in one or more series, for the purpose of raising moneys to pay for the costs of constructing, improving, expanding and renovating existing and new facilities and of undertaking other capital expenditures identified in the District's capital improvements projects plan, including but not limited to (i) developing Cooper River County Park, (ii) constructing new welcome center exhibits at Caw Caw Interpretive Center, (iii) constructing a new playground at Wannamaker County Park and undertaking improvements to Whirlin' Waters, (iv) acquiring land and constructing new rural parks, (v) constructing improvements to Palmetto Islands County Park, including to Splash Island, (vi) constructing and improving boat landings, (vii) constructing improvements to James Island County Park, including constructing a new climbing wall and undertaking improvements to Splash Zone, (viii) undertaking improvements to Lighthouse Inlet Historic Preserve and (ix) undertaking improvements pursuant to the ADA transition plan, as well as to pay costs of issuance.

For the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as they respectively mature and for the creation of such sinking fund as necessary therefor, the full faith, credit and taxing power of Charleston County Park and Recreation District shall be irrevocably pledged, and there shall be levied annually a tax without limit on all taxable property within the District sufficient to pay such principal and interest and to create such sinking fund.

No election has been ordered upon the question of the issuance of the aforesaid bonds and the District has been authorized to proceed with the issuance of such bonds without the necessity of holding an election.

The District is located entirely within Charleston County; accordingly, the issuance of the aforesaid bonds need only be authorized by the governing body of Charleston County.

Any person affected by the action aforesaid of the County Council of Charleston County may by action de novo instituted in the Court of Common Pleas for Charleston County within 20 days following the last publication of this Notice but not afterwards challenge the action of the County Council of Charleston County.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHARLESTON COUNTY

Publication Dates:

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April 23, 2026

April 30, 2026