



AGENDA

Amended

FULL BOARD MEETING

Orangeburg Library

1645 Russell Street, Orangeburg, SC 29115

April 13, 2023

6:00 Dinner

6:30pm Meeting

NEW BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION BEGINS AT 4 PM

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mr. James Haigler
LSCOG Board Chairman

INVOCATION

Mr. Joseph Garvin
LSCOG Board Member

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Janie Cooper-Smith
LSCOG Board Member

ROLL CALL

Dr. William Molnar
LSCOG Executive Director

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(Approval Required)

Mr. James Haigler
LSCOG Board Chairman

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(Approval Required)

Mr. James Haigler
LSCOG Board Chairman

Chairman Haigler will present the February 9, 2023, full board meeting minutes for approval.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Dr. Gerald Wright
LSCOG Board Treasurer

Dr. Wright will present a financial report for February 2023 for information.

RECOMMENDATION OF AUDITING FIRM

(Approval Required)

Mr. Freddie Houston
LSCOG Board Member

Mr. Houston will present the results of the request for proposals for audit firms. The proposing firm would perform LSCOG audits for the years 2023-24, 2024-25, 2025-26, with an option for two additional years.

PRESENTATION OF THE SC BEST PROGRAM

Mr. Tyler Lewis
Catawba Regional COG

Mr. Lewis will present the SC BEST Brownfields Program information.

PRESENTATION ON THE BEAD AND DE PROGRAMS

Mr. Mike Shealy
SC Dept of Administration

Mr. Shealy, of the Digital Equity Office, will present information on the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) and Digital Equity (DE) Programs.

PRESENTATION OF DRAFT LSRHC ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

(Approval Required)

Ms. Emory Langston
LSCOG PCED Director

Ms. Langston will present the draft of the Lower Savannah Regional HOME Consortium Annual Action Plan for consideration.

BOARD TRAVEL POLICY AND REIMBURSEMENT

(Approval Required)

Ms. Teresa Taylor
LSCOG Board Member

Ms. Taylor will present the Executive Committee's recommendation to increase the Board Member meeting compensation reimbursement from \$40.00 to \$75.00 and travel mileage rate reimbursement follow the current federal IRS rate (i.e., for SC COGs annual meeting travel, etc.).

SCDOT - STATE MASS TRANSIT FUNDING (SMTF)

(Approval Required)

Ms. Christine Chandler
LSCOG Transit Manager

Ms. Chandler will ask the board to approve SMTF funding amount allocated to LSCOG in the amount of \$79,231. This funding will support operational services for the transit system in the urbanized portions of Aiken County.

APPOINTMENT OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Mr. James Haigler
LSCOG Board Chairman

Chairman Haigler will appoint board members to the nominating committee for the LSCOG 2023-24 slate of officers.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Senator Vernon Stephens
LSCOG Board

Senator Stephens will give an update on current legislative items affecting the LSCOG region.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. William Molnar
LSCOG Executive Director

- Roof Completion
- LSCOG Committees' Attendance and Bylaws
- SCCOGs Legislative Request
- Executive Committee Meeting May 11, 2023
- LSCOG Board Meeting June 8, 2023 – Allendale County

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