ORDINANCE 14- xxxx AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT AN OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE, SC FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015

To raise revenue for the general uses and purposes of the Town of Summerville, South Carolina, for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2015 and ending on December 31, 2015.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Summerville in Council assembled:

SECTION I - That the proposed budget with proposed estimated revenue for payment thereof, as shown in the following items is hereby adopted and made a part hereof:

GENERAL FUND REVENUES	
Property Taxes	\$10,906,400
Licenses	7,614,000
Franchise Fees	2,177,500
Permits and Fees	865,500
Fines and Forfeitures	550,000
Intergovernmental Revenues	2,326,350
Interest Income	35,800
Recreational Facilities	220,275
Miscellaneous Income	596,645
Total General Fund Revenues	25,292,470
Total Transfers In	1,530,000
TOTAL Sources of Funds	\$26,822,470
GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	
Municipal Court	\$422,453
Finance	420,893
Administration	1,358,917
Planning and Development	517,217
Buildings/Inspections/Codes	525,114
Town Engineer	413,355
Police	6,902,789
Fire	6,664,950
Communications Center	843,179
Vehicle Maintenance	661,440
Streets	2,549,804
Parks and Recreation	2,157,933
Debt Service	762,072
Buildings and Grounds	867,569
Capital Outlay	1,391,170
Non-Departmental	285,246
Total General Fund Expenditures	26,744,101
Transfers Out	78,369
TOTAL Uses of Funds	\$26,822,470

- (A) That for the fiscal year 2015, a tax of 62.4 mills (\$.624 per \$1,000) upon every dollar of the value of all real and personal property within the corporate limits of the Town of Summerville be and the same is hereby imposed and levied for the purposes of:
 - (1) Defraying the ordinary current expenses of the government of the Town of Summerville during 2015;
 - (2) Paying the floating indebtedness of the Town, if any, during 2015;
 - (3) Paying interest and principal on the bonded indebtedness of the Town of Summerville that may come due during 2015; and
 - (4) For such other Capital expenditures as Council may authorize by resolution.
- (B) Be it further ORDAINED, that to promote and maintain the general health of the Town, there is hereby imposed upon all improved residential and some commercial properties in the Town Limits a SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE of \$8.50 per month, to be billed annually by the County Auditor on the property tax bill and collected by the County Treasurer in the same manner as provided for property taxes on the 2014 property tax bill. PROVIDED, however that in the case of properties which, due to tax exemptions or other reasons, cannot be billed by the County Auditor, the Town Administrator shall implement systems for collection of the Sanitation Collection Fee imposed by this section or by Section III of this Ordinance.
- (C) Be it further provided, that in the case of new residences issued a Certificate of Occupancy prior to December 31, an interim SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE of \$8.50 per month shall be assessed and collected on behalf of the town by the Summerville Commissioners of Public Works. The interim fee shall terminate on December 31, and be replaced by the SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE billed annually along with property taxes of the following year.
- (D) In the event that the interim SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE is not paid when due, interest and/or late fees shall accrue at a rate equal to the interest and/or late fees charged for water and sewer fees by the Commissioners of Public Works, until such time as the overdue payment and interest are paid. Additionally, the Commissioners of Public Works shall have the authority to terminate water and/or sewer service for nonpayment of the interim SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE.

SECTION II

That the taxes and fees herein and hereby levied pursuant to Section II are for the Fiscal Year beginning on the first day of January, 2015, and ending on the thirty-first day of December, 2015, and shall be due and payable in accordance with the schedule in effect for the collection of County Ad Valorem taxes for the County in which the taxable property is situate.

SECTION III

That penalties, interest charges and execution fees at the same rate as those in effect for the County in which the property is situated shall attach to and be added for nonpayment within the periods aforesaid.

SECTION IV

(A) The General Fund of the Town shall consist of all revenues and receipts of the Town except those by law restricted to specific purposes. General Fund Revenue shall include, but not be limited to, the Ad Valorem taxes raised by subsection I of this Ordinance, funds received from State and Federal agencies and programs, licenses, permit and franchise fees, payments for services, and investment income. The anticipated income from all such sources for the year 2015 is expected to be \$26,822,470.

SECTION V

That for the fiscal year 2015, a base fee of \$4 per equivalent residential unit per month is imposed and levied for the purposes of establishing a budget for the STORMWATER UTILITY FUND which shall operate as a special revenue fund, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The anticipated income for the Stormwater Utility Fund to be derived from fees and charges, and other sources for the year 2015, as authorized by the Stormwater Utility Ordinance, is expected to be \$1,287,668. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,287,668 for the operation of the Stormwater Utility.

DONE IN COUNCIL this 12th Day of November, 2014.

William C. Collins, Mayor
Lisa L. Wallace, Clerk to Council
First Reading :
Public Hearing :
Second Reading:
RATIFIED: