

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF BARNWELL)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-3-537-e

**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO APPROVE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION REGARDING
THE BARNWELL COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

WHEREAS, the City of Barnwell and the Towns of Williston and Blackville (together, the “Municipalities”) have sued the County of Barnwell (the “County”) and the Barnwell County Economic Development Corporation (the “Development Corporation”) in an action styled *City of Barnwell, Town of Williston and Town of Blackville v. County of Barnwell and Barnwell County Economic Development Corporation*, Civil Action No. 2017-CP-06-00113 (the “Lawsuit”); and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities, the County, and the Development Corporation (together, the “Parties,” and each a “Party”), have, through certain of their elected officials, negotiated and proposed terms for settling and dismissing the Lawsuit in order to avoid the costs of litigation and advance their shared goal of facilitating investment and employment opportunities throughout the Municipalities and the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, while the Council is cognizant of the fact that approval of the proposed settlement requires adoption of an ordinance following three readings and a public hearing, nonetheless, in order to provide interim guidance to other Parties and to legal counsel involved for all Parties, Council hereby states its present intent, based on facts and considerations known to it at this time, to complete the process of adopting said ordinance by having second reading on March 12, 2019, and public hearing and third reading of such ordinance on March 21, 2019.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED.

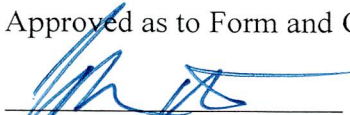


Ben Kinlaw
Chairman

Adopted March 4, 2019

I attest:


Kim Futrell, Clerk

Approved as to Form and Content


James D. Mosteller III, Esq., County Attorney

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