



# CITY OF WALHALLA

*Main Street to the Mountains*

## AGENDA

### City Council Meeting

September 16, 2025

5:30 PM

Walhalla Depot | 211 S. College St. Walhalla, SC

Tim Hall  
Mayor

Josh Holliday  
Mayor Pro Tem

Jessie Bunning  
Councilwoman

Kenny Johns  
Councilman

Grant Keehn  
Councilman

Lynn McClain  
Councilwoman

Sarai Melendez  
Councilwoman

Michael Kozlarek  
City Attorney

Celia Boyd Myers  
City Administrator

Mayor Hall

- I. Order and Welcome**
- II. Call for Moment of Silence**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Agenda**
- V. Approval of Minutes**
  - a. Regular Council Meeting, August 19, 2025
- VI. Public Comment** (*Public Comment is limited to 5 minutes and must be directed to Council, per City Ordinance 2022-8*)
- VII. Presentation**
  - a. Teddi Garrick, Kids in Park
- VIII. Mayoral Proclamations**
  - a. Proclamation 2025-07: A Proclamation designating September 17-23, 2025, as Constitution Week
  - b. Proclamation 2025-08: A Proclamation designating September as Hispanic Heritage Month
- IX. First and Final Reading of Resolutions**
  - a. Resolution 2025-08: A Resolution pledging to practice and promote civility
  - b. Resolution 2025-09: A Resolution acknowledging receipt of, and expressing support for, the implementation of the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Regional Feasibility Study Implementation Committee; and other matters related thereto.
- X. Administrator's Report**
  - a. Monthly Reports

**XI. Second, Final Reading and Public Review of Ordinance**

a. Ordinance 2025-07: An Ordinance to amend Ordinance #1994-8, the City of Walhalla Zoning Ordinance, as adopted December 13, 1994, by amending the City of Walhalla Official Zoning Map to rezone +/- 3.0 acres from LI (Light Industrial) to R-25 (Single-Family Residential) on a parcel of land, identified as property at the corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive shown in Deed Book 3227 Page 227. The parcel is further identified as TMS # 500-24-01-002.

**XII. First Reading of Ordinances**

a. Ordinance 2025-08: An Ordinance amending the Business License Ordinance of the City of Walhalla to update the class schedule as required by Act 176 of 2020.

**XIII. Discussion and Action Items**

- a. Walhalla Economic Advisory Committee Members
- b. Location of the future Walhalla Police Station
- c. Request to lift hiring freeze

**XIV. Executive Session - None**

**XV. Mayor Comments**

Mayor Hall

**XVI. Adjournment**

**City of Walhalla  
Called City Council  
August 19, 2025 • 5:30 PM  
Walhalla Depot  
Walhalla, South Carolina  
Minutes**

*In accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, Section 30-4-10 et seq., South Carolina Code, 1976, the media was duly notified of the date, time, and place of the meeting.*

**Councilmembers Present:** Mayor Tim Hall, Mayor Pro-Tem Josh Holliday, Jessie Bunning, Kenny Johns, Grant Keehn, Lynn McClain and Sarai Melendez

**Councilmembers Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Celia Myers and Chasity Miles

**Call to Order:** Mayor Hall called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM, with a quorum present to conduct the meeting and welcomed all present to the meeting.

**Moment of Silence:** Mayor Hall called for a moment of silence.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Hall asked for Councilwoman Bunning to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Hall called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Holliday moved to approve the agenda; Ms. Melendez seconded. The agenda was approved 7-0.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mayor Hall called for a motion to approve the minutes of June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Keehn and Mr. Holliday noted that Mr. Josh Thomas was incorrectly listed as a present Council member. Mr. Holliday also noted that during the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, he voted against the motion. Mrs. McClain moved to approve the minutes with Mrs. Bunning seconding. The July 10<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as amended unanimously. The June 27<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as amended 5-0 with Mr. Holliday and Mr. Keehn abstaining due to their absence at that meeting.

**Public Comment:** None

**Presentation:** Teddi Garrick, Kids in Park was postponed until September meeting due to a family illness.

**First and Final Reading of Resolutions:**

**Resolution 2025-05:** Mayor Hall read Resolution 2025-05 honoring the City of Walhalla employees for their dedication and service to the City of Walhalla and recognizing September as Employee Appreciation Month in the City of Walhalla. Mr. Johns moved to approve this resolution; Mrs. Bunning seconded. The motion to approve was passed 7-0.

**Resolution 2025-06:** Mayor Hall read Resolution 2025-06 appointing Zane Thompson as Commissioner to the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority, Seat 6. Ms. Melendez moved to approve this resolution; Mr. Johns seconded. Mr. Keehn stated that he felt Mr. Laramie

Hinkle was more qualified to continue fulfilling this role. No other comments were made. The motion to approve was passed 6-1, with Mr. Keehn opposing.

**Resolution 2025-07:** Mayor Hall read Resolution 2025-07 recognizing the Oconee Food Council, Upstate Circle of Friends and community volunteers of Oconee County for their support of summer meal programs such as the summer break café. Mrs. McClain moved to approve this resolution; Mr. Johns seconded. The motion was passed 7-0.

**Administrator's Report:** Mrs. Myers provided that June and July monthly reports. Mr. Keehn questioned whether one parcel at the former Coneross Water Treatment Plant sold, as the County tax office did not indicate the drying beds parcel. Mrs. Myers promised to check. Mrs. Bunning questioned the on-going work on the website. Mrs. Myers responded that maintenance was daily. Mr. Keehn questioned who designed the temporary pedestrian bridge at Sertoma Field and if an engineer approved the plan. Mrs. Myers answered that staff designed the temporary bridge but did seek FEMA approval prior to moving forward, as the City was seeking funding for a new permanent pedestrian bridge. Mrs. Bunning questioned the water meter change-outs. Mrs. Myers stated that some of those were replacing broken meters, others were switching existing, operable meters to the new Kamstrup system.

**First Reading of Ordinance:** Mrs. Myers presented Ordinance 2025-07 to rezone +/-3 acres at the corner of Kenneth St and Hillsdale Dr from Light Industrial to R-25 Single-family residential for the purpose of building residential homes. Mayor Hall opened the public hearing to receive public comments. None approached. Mayor Hall closed the public hearing. Ms. Melendez moved to approve Ordinance 2025-07 on first reading; Mr. Johns seconded. Mr. Keehn questioned if anyone had expressed their opposition. Mrs. Myers shared that one individual came to the Planning Commission meeting, but did not express support or opposition, only interest. The motion to approve Ordinance 2025-07 at first reading passed 7-0.

## **Discussion/Action Items:**

### **Committee Meeting Schedule**

Mayor Hall suggested that committee meetings be moved to an as-needed basis, opposed to a standing meeting to minimize impact on staff. Discussion ranged from the ease of knowing a set date to being more responsive and flexible for urgent issues. Mrs. Bunning moved to revert back to the policy where committee meetings are called on an as-needed basis. Mr. Johns seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Request to lift hiring freeze**

Mrs. Myers made a request for the hiring freeze to be lifted, either in total or for specific departments – Streets & Facilities, Recreation, Water Billing. Discussion among Council led to a call for each position to be brought to Council with justification. Mr. Holliday moved to handle the hiring freeze on a case-by-case basis. Mr. Keehn seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-3 with Mrs. Bunning, Mrs. McClain and Mayor Hall opposing.

Mrs. Myers requested the ability to hire a grounds/facility technician for the Streets & Facilities department, a recreation coordinator for the Recreation department, a billing

clerk for the Water Billing department. Mrs. Myers also noted that all positions have been included in the approved budget and does not include new positions.

Mr. Holliday moved to hire a billing clerk; Mr. Keehn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Melendez moved to hire a recreational coordinator; Mayor Hall seconded the motion. Mr. Keehn suggested the use of volunteers. The motion passed 6-1, with Mr. Keehn opposing.

Mrs. Bunning moved to hire a grounds/facility technician; Mr. Johns seconded the motion. Mr. Keehn questioned whether this position was more grounds or maintenance. Mrs. Myers explained that it was both. The motion was passed 6-1 with Ms. Melendez opposing.

Mr. Keehn moved to separate the two requests; Mr. Holliday seconded. The motion to separate the request into two was passed.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Holliday moved to enter executive session to discuss contractual matters related to the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority (OJRSA). Mrs. Bunning seconded. The motion to enter executive session was passed unanimously. Council entered executive session at 6:38 pm.

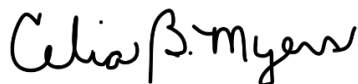
Council exited executive session without taking any action during the session. No action was taken following executive session.

### **Mayor Comments**

Mayor Hall thanked everyone for attending.

Hearing no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Celia B. Myers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Celia Myers



**WHEREAS:** The Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

**WHEREAS:** September 17, 2025, marks the two hundred thirty eighth anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

**WHEREAS:** It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it; and

**WHEREAS:** Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week,

**NOW, THEREFORE I, *Tim Hall*** by virtue of the authority vested in me as the **Mayor of Walhalla, South Carolina** do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as

## **CONSTITUTION WEEK**

and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand for the City of Walhalla, South Carolina on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September of the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-five.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



## Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation 2025

**WHEREAS**, Each year, communities across our nation observe National Hispanic Heritage Month by celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of generations of Hispanic-Americans whose ancestors came from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and

**WHEREAS**, National Hispanic Heritage Month provides a dedicated time to honor the invaluable contributions of Hispanics/Latinos to our state, while celebrating the vibrant culture that strengthens our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, this celebration was first established in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon B. Johnson and expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to span the period from September 15 to October 15; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics/Latinos hail from diverse nations and cultures, each contributing a unique and dynamic perspective to the history and progress of our state; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanics/Latinos are among the fastest-growing ethnic groups in the Palmetto State, enriching our communities through their unwavering dedication to faith, hard work, and family; and

**WHEREAS**, we proudly recognize, support, and celebrate this 4th Annual Cultural Heritage Celebration in the City of Walhalla; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme "Raíces y Resistencia: Honoring Our Past, Defending Our Future" aims to honor those who have paved the way for future generations. It invites us to celebrate Hispanic heritage and history while also empowering the leaders of tomorrow.

**WHEREAS**, the city of Walhalla remains committed to fostering and enhancing collaboration across sectors, cultures, and ideas, advocating for resources that promote economic and community development, and engaging with local, county, and statewide networks; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize and commend the South Carolina Commission for Minority Affairs' Hispanic/Latino Affairs Division for its diligent efforts in addressing the challenges and opportunities

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that the gifts, values, and personal sacrifices of our Hispanic brothers and sisters are woven inextricably into the fabric of our common community heritage, strengthen our society, and are vital to achieving our hopes and dreams for South Carolina;

**THEREFORE**, I, Tim Hall, Mayor of the City of Walhalla, South Carolina, by this proclamation, declare the period from September 15 to October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Walhalla. I encourage all citizens to celebrate and recognize the invaluable contributions of various communities, which have enriched and shaped the vibrant and dynamic culture of our city.

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Tim O. Hall, Mayor

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA    )

COUNTY OF OCONEE            )

CITY OF WALHALLA            )

RESOLUTION 2025-08

### **A RESOLUTION PLEDGING TO PRACTICE AND PROMOTE CIVILITY**

**WHEREAS**, a recent national survey found that 93% of Americans believe that incivility is a problem, with 68% considering it a “major” problem and 74% believing that incivility is increasing in America;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Walhalla (the “Council”), the governing body of the City of Walhalla, South Carolina (the “Municipality”), recognizes that robust debate and the right to self-expression, as protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, are fundamental rights and essential components of democratic self-governance;

**WHEREAS**, the Council further recognizes that the public exchange of diverse ideas and viewpoints is necessary to the health of the community and the quality of governance in the Municipality;

**WHEREAS**, the Members of Council, as elected representatives of the community and stewards of the public trust, recognize their special role in modeling open, free and vigorous debate while maintaining the highest standards of civility, honesty and mutual respect; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to publicly declare its commitment to civil discourse and to express its concern for the common good and well-being of all of its residents, the Council has determined to adopt this resolution,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:** The City of Walhalla pledges to practice and promote civility within the governing body.

The elected officials of the Council enact this civility pledge to build a stronger and more prosperous community by advocating for civil engagement, respecting others and their viewpoints, and finding solutions for the betterment of the City of Walhalla.

This pledge ensures all communication — both spoken and written — to be open, honest and transparent as this is vital for cultivating trust and relationships.

This pledge ensures mutual respect to achieve municipal goals, recognizing that patience, tolerance and civility are imperative to success.

This pledge ensures opportunities for finding common ground and engaging in civil discussion to seek solutions while actively listening and thoughtfully participating.

*[signatures appear on following page]*



**ADOPTED IN REGULAR MEETING this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.**

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Mayor

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Councilmember

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ATTEST:

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Celia Myers, City Administrator

**A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF, AND EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE AD HOC REGIONAL FEASIBILITY STUDY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Walhalla (the “**City Council**”), the governing body of the City of Walhalla, South Carolina (the “**City**”), as follows:

**Section 1 Findings.** The City Council make the following findings in connection with the adoption of this resolution (this “**Resolution**”):

A. The City is a municipal corporation of the State of South Carolina (the “**State**”) located in Oconee County, South Carolina, and as such possesses all general powers granted by the Constitution and statutes of the State to such public entities.

B. The City is a member of Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority (“**OJRSA**”), a joint authority sewer system organized under Title 6, Chapter 25 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “**Act**”), created in 2007 by its three member-municipalities: the City of Westminster, South Carolina (“**Westminster**”), the City of Seneca, South Carolina (“**Seneca**”), and the City (collectively, the “**Members**”).

C. OJRSA commissioned the Regional Feasibility Planning Study (“**Planning Study**”), which was completed in August 2024 and formally adopted by the Board of Commissioners, as the governing body of OJRSA (“**Board**”) in September 2024.

D. The Planning Study recommended the formation of an Ad Hoc Regional Feasibility Study Implementation Committee (“**Ad Hoc Committee**”) to further evaluate and develop implementation strategies to restructure OJRSA.

E. The Board established the Ad Hoc Committee in November 2024, who convened regularly from December 2024 through June 2025 to conduct a comprehensive review of the Planning Study and develop independent recommendations for implementation.

F. The City’s representative, Ms. Celia Myers, served as a member of the Ad Hoc Committee throughout its deliberations.

G. On June 16, 2025, the Ad Hoc Committee issued a final report entitled “OJRSA Reorganization Recommendations” that includes five major recommendations for the reorganization and reconstitution of OJRSA under the Act (the “**Recommendation Report**”).

H. The recommendations, including the addition of Oconee County, South Carolina (the “**County**”) as a member of the Authority, are intended to address longstanding operational, governance, regulatory, and financial challenges facing OJRSA and the Members, and to provide for a coordinated, compliant, and sustainable regional wastewater system to serve the current and future needs of Oconee County and its municipalities.

I. The City Council has received and reviewed the Recommendation Report, including the proposed implementation timeline, and recognizes the importance of working cooperatively and in good faith with OJRSA, Seneca, Westminster, the County, and other stakeholders to advance the implementation of the recommendations therein.

**Section 2 Support for Implementation.** The City expresses its support for the recommendations contained in the Recommendation Report and agrees to work in good faith with OJRSA, the other Members, the County, and other affected entities to evaluate and, where appropriate, implement the proposed actions, including but not limited to: (i) the consolidation of Members' sewer collection systems, including the City's system, and enforced compliance of all applicable sewer user regulations; (ii) the development of a reconstituted governance structure for OJRSA, including the elimination of *ex officio*, principal-agent or other potentially conflicted members; (iii) the drafting of new governance documents; (iv) participation in the formation of an implementation committee to shepherd the reorganization process; and (v) the use of a coordinated communications plan to support public engagement and transparency. In addition to its confirmation and support of the major recommendations of the Recommendation Report, the City further supports and agrees that changes to the Act are needed and necessary to fully formulate the terms and findings of the Recommendation Report. Finally, the City Council presently intends to act in good faith to assure the City's compliance with the timeline for implementation of the Recommendation Report, including the engagement of all necessary consultants and other personnel necessary to formalize the planned restructuring.

**Section 3 Non-Binding Intent.** This Resolution expresses the City's non-binding intent to proceed in good faith with the evaluation and implementation process, with the understanding that final approvals of any restructuring or system consolidation actions will remain subject to the review and approval of City Council based on mutually agreed-upon terms and conditions.

**Section 4 Further Action; Effective Date.** The City Administrator is hereby directed to deliver this Resolution to OJRSA and any State regulatory agencies or entities in order to evidence the City's initial approval of the Recommendation Report. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DONE AND ADOPTED, this \_\_\_\_th day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

CITY OF WALHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

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City Clerk



# CITY OF WALHALLA

*Main Street to the Mountains*

**TO:** Mayor Hall and City Council  
**RE:** June and July Monthly Reports  
**DATE:** September 8, 2025

Please find enclosed an update on the City's recent activities for the month of August 2025, along with monthly department reports.

Tim Hall  
Mayor

## **Administration**

Josh Holliday  
Mayor Pro Tem

Jessie Bunning  
Councilwoman

Kenny Johns  
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## **Economic Development/Planning**

Met/spoke with three potential investors/developers.  
Worked with three prospective/existing business.  
Reviewed and approved 9 permits (zoning, sign) and 2 plats.  
Fielded questions from the public regarding setbacks, variances, new business process, zoning requirements and building permit process  
Working with the SC Hispanic Chamber of Commerce on entrepreneur workshops.

## **FY 25-26 Projects**

**Zoning Ordinance Update:** Jeff Guilbaut (ACOG) and the Planning Commission continue to review and revise at its monthly meetings. Approximately 18% complete.

**Comprehensive Plan Update:** Staff and Planning Commission continue to review and update, alongside Zoning update. Approximately 25% complete.

**Municipal Volunteer Program (MVP):** Nine (9) individuals have signed up to date. Initial MVP groups volunteering at the Hispanic Heritage Festival and working with staff on grounds maintenance, including weeding, planting, bed preparation, etc.

**FEMA Hurricane Helene Projects:** Continue to partner through weekly or biweekly meetings with FEMA and SCEMD on reimbursement and Hurricane Helene related projects. A total of eight projects continue to move through the approval process, two have been obligated.

**Springbrook Conversion:** Work continues for the Permit/License module that is set to be implemented in September. Total project approximately 50% complete.

**Police Station:** Finalizing the design of the facility and civil engineering.

**Sanitation Account Review:** Continue to review sanitation accounts for accuracy – on-going project. Annual letter on services will be sent October/November.

**Paving (C-Fund Appropriation):** Reissued joint paving RFB with the City of Seneca based on pricing received.

**New Fire Engine:** Final equipment mounts and striping are being completed to put the engine into service.

**Community Center:** Groundbreaking held August 13<sup>th</sup>. Permits with SCDES, SCDOT, RCI have been submitted.

**Sertoma Concession Stand/Restrooms:** Volunteers continue to finalize build-out. Approximately 90% complete.

**Kaufmann Square (Depot) Pond:** Additional estimates being gathered for alternative repair options, including rebuilding box, seeking outside funding opportunities, following up with SCDES on requirements.

**Stumphouse Mountain Park Pay Gates/Building:** Installation of pay gates anticipated for end of August/first of September. Estimates for vending machines being gathered for food, drink, SMP products. Awarded ATAX funding for new trail maps, signage and marketing.

**SCIIP Division I Sewer Rehab Project:** Contractor has completed the cleaning and inspection of the gravity sewers and the cure-in-place rehab process for most of the project. Nearly 22,000 linear feet of gravity sewer pipe have been lined. Project is approximately 96% complete.

To date, \$1,376,052.02 paid and reimbursed, total bid \$2,881,292.20

**SCIIP Division III Water Line Upgrade Project:** Contractor is installing water services along S North Broad St, Main St, Poplar St and side streets. The water main replacement installation is approximately 98% complete. Water mains have been tested and certified. SCDES issued a Permit to Operate the new lines. The new water line along Tugaloo will be tied in the week of the 8<sup>th</sup>.

To date, \$1,597,975.22 paid and reimbursed, total bid \$3,045,539

**Emergency Watershed Program (EWP) Project:** Received final award notice. Met with USDA-NRCS representatives and grant manager. Issuing RFQ for engineering services.

#### **August Board/Committee Meetings**

OJRSA Reconstitution Committee – August 14<sup>th</sup>

OJRSA Finance and Administration Committee – August 26<sup>th</sup>

Oconee Chamber of Commerce – August 27<sup>th</sup>

Ten at the Top – August 19<sup>th</sup>

Planning Commission – August 8<sup>th</sup>

Numerous other meetings with consultants, contractors, RIA, SCDES, FEMA, USDA-NRCS, ACOG, SCEMD, Partners for Progress, other civic organizations, residents, business owners, staff, etc.

#### **Grant Awards (Cumulative)**

Awarded Duke Energy Foundation HERO grant (\$4,000) for storm preparedness supplies and materials for the Streets & Facilities department.

Awarded SCDES Used Oil Recycling grant (\$3,939) and SCDES Solid Waste Management grant (\$15,750) for the Sanitation department.

Awarded MASC Public Works grant (\$4,000) for traffic cones, safety helmets and vests for Streets & Facilities and Sanitation departments.

Awarded SCPRT Tourism Advertising grant (\$4,330.21) for marketing of Stumphouse Mountain Park and the City of Walhalla.

Awarded USDA-NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) grant (\$3,054,012.65) for Cane Creek streambank restoration and watershed pond maintenance/stabilization at SMP.

Awarded Oconee County ATAX grant (\$7,000) for Stumphouse Mountain Park signage, trail mapping and marketing.

Awarded Trail Towns grant (\$10,000) for Stumphouse Mountain Park and City marketing, publicity campaign and Trail Town designation.



Walhalla Police Department  
101 E. Main St.  
Walhalla, SC 29691

Chief of Police Timothy J. Rice

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## Monthly Police Report- August 2025

### **August Activities and Events:**

- Facilitated Gravel Roll Bike Race
- Continued proactive patrol work focusing on crime reduction and visibility.
- Implemented new phone attendant service to simplify use for public.
- Working to remove equipment from surplus cars to prepare for sale of cars.
- Participated in statewide "Sober or Slammer" DUI enforcement campaign

<b>TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	<b>1298 (previous month 1217)</b>
<b>TRAINING HOURS</b>	<b>38.5 HOURS</b>
<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>14(Adult) 0 (Juvenile)</b>
<b>Extra Patrol / Business Checks</b>	<b>664 (previous month 604)</b>

### **BREAKDOWN OF OVERTIME BY TYPE:**

Shift Coverage	73.5
Court	14.0
Training	38.5
<b>TOTAL OVERTIME</b>	<b>126.0 HOURS (previous month – 141 hours)</b>

### **Upcoming Events and Training and News:**

- Roll out new social media and websites.
- Oktoberfest/Merchant Market planning.
- Continue to focus on proactive patrol work to promote safety and reduce crime.
- Continue to work to reduce city fleet vehicles by auctioning surplus vehicles.



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**Monthly Reference Material**  
**August 2025 – Month End Stats**

<b><u>Total Calls for Service:</u></b>	<b>1298</b>
<b><u>Total Traffic Stops:</u></b>	<b>240 (previous 213)</b>
<b><u>Total Traffic Collisions:</u></b>	<b>13 (previous 13)</b>
<b>Total Business Checks / Extra Patrol</b>	<b>664 (previous 604)</b>

**Reports Filed:**

Collision Reports:	13
Pursuit After-Action:	0
Incident Reports:	31
Response to Resistance:	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>44</b>

**Citations/Warnings Issued:**

Warnings:	192
Traffic Related:	53
Non-Traffic Related:	6
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>251</b>

**Arrests:**

Adults:	14
Juvenile Referrals:	0
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>14</b>





Stumphouse Mountain Park  
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*Chief of Police Timothy J. Rice*

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## **Monthly Stumphouse Mountain Park Report- August 2025**

### **Updates:**

- 78 hours of volunteer work for August.
- Welcome and Fee Station interior finish work is continuing. Camera system has been fully installed and is functioning.
- Work continues on prep work for the new pay station.
- Worked with volunteers to modify one of the bike trail jumps to make it safer
- A grant has been obtained to pay for trail maps and park sign

### **Upcoming Projects**

- Repair of main park sign
- Continue work on the Welcome and Fee Station installation
- New trail maps and sign
- Installation of new payment collection gate at the Welcome and Fee Station and relocation of existing collection boxes to Stumphouse 2 (Ross Mountain entrance),
- Installation of payment collection signage at Stumphouse 2 (Ross Mountain entrance) after the new gate is installed.
- Scheduled a trail repair work day for September 27<sup>th</sup>.



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**Statistics**





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**Photos**





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## WALHALLA SOLID WASTE 9-2-2025

The Solid Waste Department

### **August 1 thru 31, 2025 the City of Walhalla picked up:**

- 258 -ton of residential garbage
- 129 -ton of commercial garbage
- 18 -loads of recyclable brush 450 yards
- 17 -ton C&D Waste
- 1 -ton mattresses

### **July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025**

- 2980 -ton of residential garbage
- 1507 -ton of commercial garbage
- 309 -loads of recyclable brush 7725 yards 1236 ton
- 189 -ton C&D Waste
- 13-ton mattresses
- 3 -ton furniture
- 2 –ton tires

### **Roll Carts for August**

Delivered 28

Picked up 8

Repair/Replace 7

During the month of August our department continued picking up brush, leaves, trash, C&D waste, tires, and mattresses.

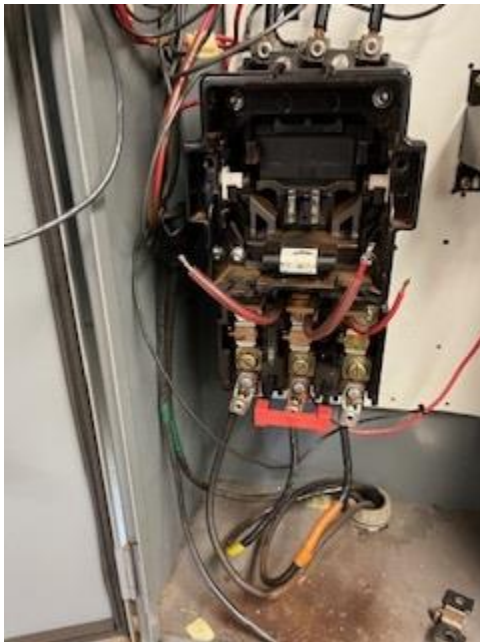


## STREETS AND FACILITIES 9/02/25

Built temporary bridge at Sertoma with Zane and Water Dept.



Rebuilt Start for HWY. 11 Pump station.



Cut trees in road on White Oak.



Cleaning around trees.





Built handrails and paint for bridge at Sertoma.



Pulled new 350 KCM wire and control wires for Pump 1 at intake on lake.



Pump 1 location at intake on lake.



Worked on VFD at intake on lake.



Pulled pump # 1 and motor at water plant for pump to be service.



Replace faucet at Sertoma bathroom.





Cut trees on Woodland way.



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# City of Walhalla Fire Department

*Home of the Mountaineer Engine Co. Est. 1871*

## **August 2025 - Monthly Report**

For the month of August WFD continued Fire House Friday, and conducted three community outreach events, including Oconee Night Out, Smoke Detector Drive, and Summer Sendoff at the Walhalla City Pool.

### **Fire Department:**

Fire Calls: 0  
EMS Calls: 52  
Service Calls: 14  
False Alarm Calls: 2  
Good Intent: 2  
Hazardous: 3

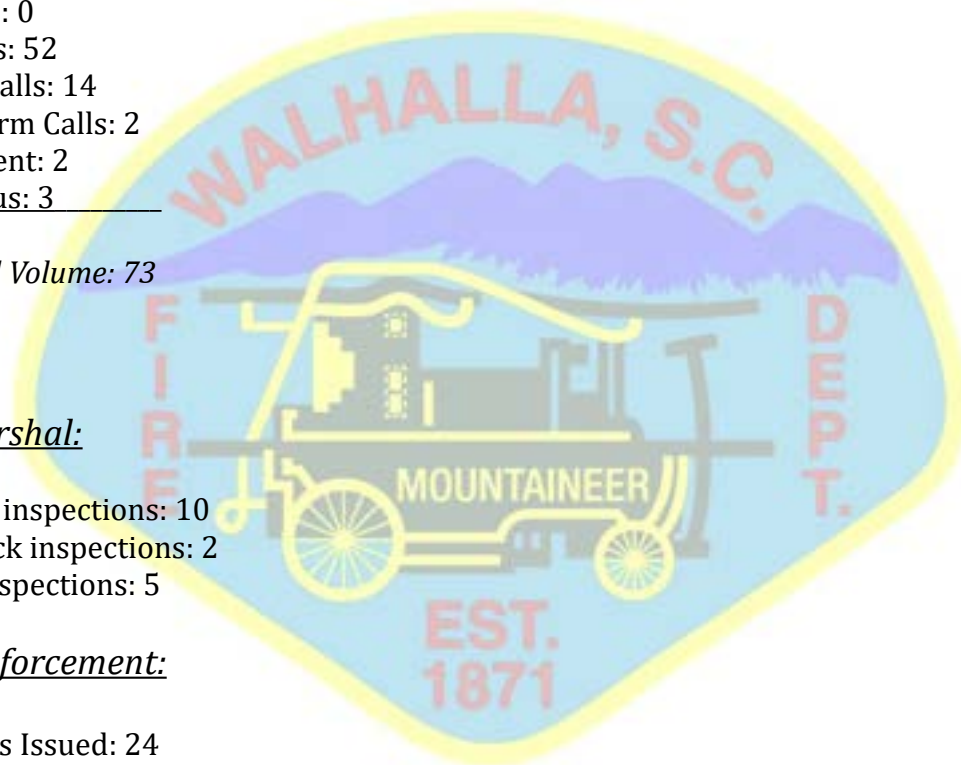
*Total Call Volume: 73*

### **Fire Marshal:**

Business inspections: 10  
Food truck inspections: 2  
Rental Inspections: 5

### **Code Enforcement:**

Violations Issued: 24  
Violations Resolved: 16  
Construction sites without permits - located: 2



207 E North Broad Street, Walhalla SC 29691

864-638-4345 Phone

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# City of Walhalla PRT Department

*Parks, Recreation and Tourism*

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## PRT Monthly Report

August 2025

### **Highlight**

**Farmers Market** Spare Parts Bluegrass Band will lead a jam session on Sept 6 and finale concert on Sept 26.

**Municipal Volunteer Program-** 11 entries

**Hispanic Heritage Festival** Vendor Application- 56 entries

**Merchant Market-** 53 entries

**GoNuts Bike Race @ Stumphouse-** Confirmed/ \$3000 fee received Nov 14-16

**Kids in Parks** mini trail grand opening is rescheduled for March or April.

**Oconee ATAX Grant-** \$7000

**Trail Town Program Designation**

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### **Upcoming Goals:**

Follow through with Farmers Market features and final concert.

Continue process of becoming a Trail Town with SC National Heritage Corridor.

Follow through with ATAX grant- mapping and signage at Stumphouse

Finalize radio ads for fall regarding Stumphouse.

Finish planning Merchant Market.

Assist with GoNuts Bike Race at Stumphouse as needed.

Continue planning for October and Christmas events.

Begin planning a movie night for spring.

### **Upcoming Sports and Related Facility Condition:**

Trash pick up and leaf/ debris removal continue.

### **Current and Concluding Sports:**

City Pool closed.

### **Equipment Status:**

**Trucks:** Both trucks are in working order

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City of Walhalla

Parks, Recreation, Tourism Department

105 West South Broad Street, Walhalla SC 29691

# City of Walhalla PRT Department

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**Trailer:** in working order

**Gators:** in working order

**Bobcat:** in working order

**Mowers:** 60" mower is used daily for park and disc golf.

**Kubota side-by-side-** good condition

## **Routine Maintenance Update:**

**City Park:** badminton/ volleyball net needs to be replaced

**Memorial Field:** soccer and football

**Sertoma Field:** remains under Rec department for soccer season

**Disc Golf:** The disc golf course endured some damage from a contractor. Repairs are ongoing.

## **Special Project Status:**

### **Trail Town Designation**

We are working on our Trail Town Designation with SC National Heritage Corridor. The Trail Town Program designates communities along trails that provide essential services, amenities, and hospitality for outdoor enthusiasts. These programs promote local businesses and tourism by highlighting communities with accessible and well-maintained trails, suitable accommodations, and a connection to the area's unique cultural and natural heritage.

### **New Entry Sign at Stumphouse**

We received an ATAX grant to replace a broken entry sign at Stumphouse. Project should be complete by mid-October.

### **New Mapping at Stumphouse**

We received an ATAX grant to update all trail maps at Stumphouse. We hope to complete the project by mid-November.



# City of Walhalla PRT Department

*Parks, Recreation and Tourism*

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## Recreation

### Stumphouse Mountain Park

Online Payments for July= \$3317 August==\$2538

Sold 30 stickers in July; 34 in August

Park Pass Options	Count of Park Pass
One Time Daily Park Pass 5 or fewer	383
Annual Park Pass (Non-Oconee County	2
Annual Park Pass (Oconee County Resident) 50	4
One Time Daily Park Pass more than 5	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>394</b>

### Summary of August Visitors

86% from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina.

43% are from outside South Carolina

## Tourism, Events and Facility Rentals

### Facility Rentals: August






	<u>**Gross</u>	<u>**Net</u>
<b>106 - Facility Rental Depot</b>		
	2,500.00	2,500.00
<b>110 - Facility Rental Old St John's</b>		
	250.00	250.00
	<hr/> 2,750.00	<hr/> 2,750.00 <hr/>

# City of Walhalla PRT Department

Parks, Recreation and Tourism

## Social Media (Gray boxes are shared posts from other pages)

Top posts and number of views.

Preview	Views	Reach	Interactions	Net follows	Impressions
 You are invited to the Walh... Published - Aug 8 at 6:04 PM	37,476	9,942	95	0	13,343
 ¡La cuenta regresiva ha ... Published - Aug 8 at 6:38 PM	15,128	6,667	88	0	7,957
 Construction Update: Cont... Published - Aug 21 at 3:01 PM	12,442	6,536	54	0	7,435
 !!ATTENTION ALL ENTREPRE... Published - Aug 6 at 10:53 AM	6,653	3,893	26	0	4,311
 Time is almost UP! Final ... Published - Aug 12 at 1:34 PM	6,093	2,971	21	0	3,912

## Email Campaigns

MailChimp

970 total contacts

Sent monthly email as well as an SMS text.

See below.

City of Walhalla: Join us Sept 13 for the Hispanic Heritage Festival. Lots of food and music! Check out <https://mcsms.io/z0EZJp> for a schedule of remaining 2025 events .  
Text STOP to opt out

# City of Walhalla PRT Department

*Parks, Recreation and Tourism*

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## 2026 Event Calendar

(proposed- to be finalized by October 6 so we can solicit sponsorships)

April 10	Movie Night The Sandlot 8pm -10pm (movie starts at 8:30pm) (night before opening day for recreation dept.)
April 18	Issaqueena's Last Ride (rotary)
?April 26	Race to Valhalla (Southeast Gravel)
May 2- Sept 26	Farmers Market (no market on July 4) Total of <u>22 Saturdays</u>
May 8	Movie Night (Title TBD) 8:00pm -10pm (movie starts at 8:30pm)
May 16	Jeep Fest Main Street Walhalla 9am-2pm; awards at 2pm
May 23	Memorial Day 5K County Emergency Services
June 6	Get Outdoors Day Stumphouse Mountain Park; 9am-noon
June 12	Movie Night (title TBD) 8:00pm -10pm (movie starts at 8:30pm)
July 3	Independence Fest Main Street 7pm-10pm (Friday)
?August TBD	Gravel Roll Bike Race Holler in Walhalla
?September 12	Hispanic Heritage Festival (Cultural Committee presents)
September 26	Farmers Market Finale Concert
October 3	Merchant Market 11am- 3pm Main Street
October 16-18	Oktoberfest (Oktoberfest committee presents)
October 24	Walhalloween 12-2pm Main Street
October 31	Boo in the Bay 6-8pm
November TBD	Bike Race at Stumphouse
December 4	Tree lighting- ceremony 5:30pm to 6pm
December 5	Christmas Parade (staff in place at 2:30 to guide entries, parade starts at 5pm)

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# City of Walhalla PRT Department

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## **Upcoming events:**

**Farmer's Market is ongoing through September. Concert on September 27**

**September 13 Hispanic Heritage Festival**

**October 4 Merchant Market**

**November 14-16 GoNuts Bike Race at Stumphouse**

## Celia Myers

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**From:** Davy Lee  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 11, 2025 4:22 PM  
**To:** Celia Myers  
**Subject:** Recreation Report

Good afternoon,

Here is Recreation report for 9/11/25

- 1) Fall sports are off to a great start. 465 participants for all sports. 33 total teams plus cheerleaders.
- 2) Football Homecoming was very successful and thank you to all city staff, volunteers and everyone who pitched in.
- 3) Basketball sign ups will run October 6-24. Looking for ways to reach more individuals and make sure that all know the dates and needed information.
- 4) Beginning September 23, I will begin meeting with any parents or family members who have issues or want to offer suggestions to help make us a better department in all ways. Plan to have a morning session as well as an afternoon session. This will be advertised on our social media outlets.

Davy Lee

Sent from my iPhone

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA        )

COUNTY OF OCONEE                )

ORDINANCE 2025-07

CITY OF WALHALLA                )

**An Ordinance to amend Ordinance #1994-8, the City of Walhalla Zoning Ordinance, as adopted December 13, 1994, by amending the City of Walhalla Official Zoning Map to rezone +/- 3.0 acres from LI (Light Industrial) to R-25 (Single-Family Residential) on a parcel of land, identified as property at the corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive shown in Deed Book 3227 Page 227. The parcel is further identified as TMS # 500-24-01-002.**

**Whereas**, the City of Walhalla, a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina (the "City"), acting by and through its City Council (the "City Council") has previously adopted City of Walhalla Ordinance # 1994-8, the City of Walhalla Zoning Ordinance (the "Ordinance"), which Ordinance contains the City of Walhalla Official Zoning Map (the "Map"); and,

**Whereas**, the Ordinance contains provisions providing for the amendment of the Map; and,

**Whereas**, City Council desires to amend the Map by adopting a zoning map amendment from LI to R-25 for +/- 3.0 acres of TMS #500-24-01-002 described above; and,

**Whereas**, the City of Walhalla Planning Commission has held a duly advertised public meeting on July 14, 2025, during which it reviewed the proposed rezoning from Light Industrial (LI) to Single-Family Residential (R-25) on +/-3.00 acres of TMS #500-24-01-002 described above; and,

**Whereas**, the City of Walhalla Council has duly advertised and held a public hearing on August 19, 2025, regarding said amendment of the City of Walhalla Official Zoning Map:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the City of Walhalla Council, in meeting duly assembled, that:

1. The City of Walhalla Council hereby finds that this proposed rezoning is consistent with the City of Walhalla Comprehensive Plan and in accord with requirements of the South Carolina Code of Laws Title 6, Chapter 29, Article 5.
2. The City of Walhalla Council hereby amends the City of Walhalla Official Zoning Map as previously adopted December 13, 1994, by City of Walhalla Ordinance #1994-8 to rezone from LI to R-25 +/-3.0 acres of TMS #500-24-01-002 described above.

3. Should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the remaining terms and provisions of this ordinance, all of which are hereby deemed separable.

4. All orders, resolutions, and enactments of City of Walhalla Council inconsistent herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency only, hereby repealed, revoked, and rescinded.

5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after second reading and enactment by City of Walhalla Council.

AND IS DONE AND RATIFIED in Council Duly assembled this \_\_\_\_Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025.

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tim O. Hall, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Celia Boyd Myers, City Administrator

Introduced By: \_\_\_\_\_

First Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Hearing,  
Second Reading  
And Adoption: \_\_\_\_\_



**City of Walhalla  
Planning Commission Staff Report  
July 2025**

Applicant:	Barry Culbertson
Current Owners:	Juan Ignacio Sanchez
Property Addresses:	Corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive
TMS #(s):	500-24-01-002
Acreage:	+/- 3 acres
Current Zoning:	LI (Light Industrial)
Requested Zoning:	R-25 (Single Family Residential, with a minimum lot size of 25,000 sq ft)
Surrounding Zoning:	North: GR (General Residential) and LI (Light Industrial) South: Unzone (Outside City Limits) East: LI (Light Industrial) West: GR (General Residential)
Surrounding Land Use:	North: Residential and Government Agency South: Residential East: Vacant and Church West: Residential
Evaluation:	<p>This request is to rezone a +/- 3 acre parcel of property described above from LI (Light Industrial) to R-25 (Single Family Residential). The reasoning is to allow the construction of single-family residential homes.</p> <p>The purpose of the LI Zoning District is to provide areas on lots or parcels not less than 40,000 square feet in area for light industrial purposes which are not significantly objectionable to surrounding properties in terms of noise, odor, fumes, etc. The regulations which apply within this district are designed to encourage the formation and continuation of a compatible environment for uses generally classified to be limited in nature; to reserve undeveloped areas in the City of Walhalla which are suitable for such industries; and to discourage encroachment by those residential, commercial or other uses capable of adversely affecting the basic industrial character of the district.</p> <p>The purpose of the R-25 Zoning District is to provide for low-density single-family residential purposes on lots not small than</p>

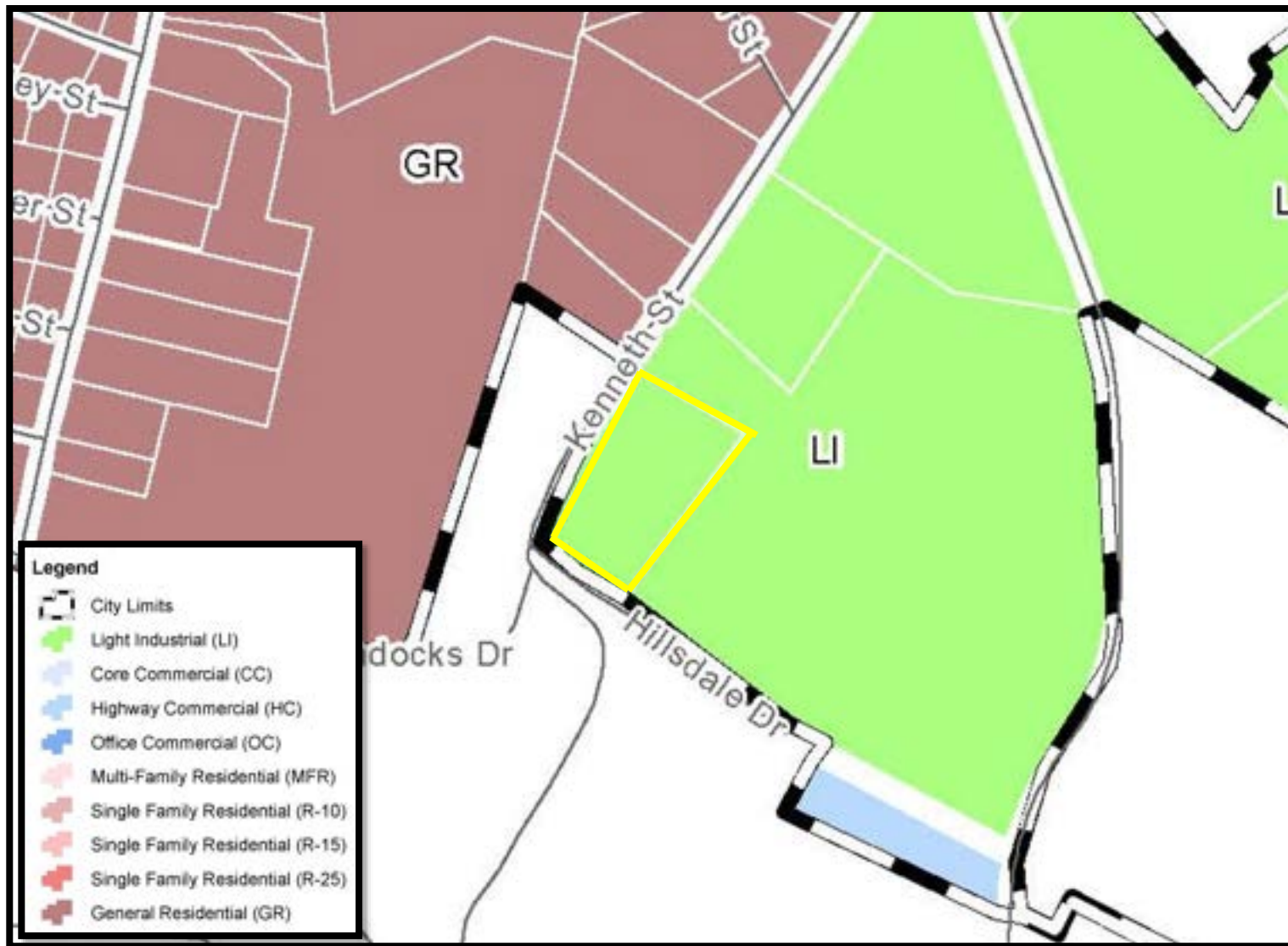
25,000 square feet and discourage any encroachment by commercial, industrial or other use capable of adversely affecting the residential character of the district.

Residential uses and zoning surround the west of subject parcels and community facilities to the east and north. The Housing Chapter in the City's Comprehensive Plan (2015) identifies the goals of (1) Continued blend of renovation, rehabilitation and new housing constructions; (2) Encouragement of Planned Unit Developments in large undeveloped tracts to promote mixed housing; (3) Provision a mixture of housing choices for all income levels; and a policy to tailor its land use objectives to ensure a proper amount of affordable housing.

Staff Recommendation:

Due to its compatibility with adjacent land uses of the area and the Housing and Future Land Use chapter of the 2015 Comprehensive Plan, staff recommends approval of this request.

# ZONING MAP



**Rezoning Request - Light Industrial (LI) to Single Family Resident (R-25)**

**Property at the corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive**

**TMS 500-24-01-002**

# AERIAL MAP



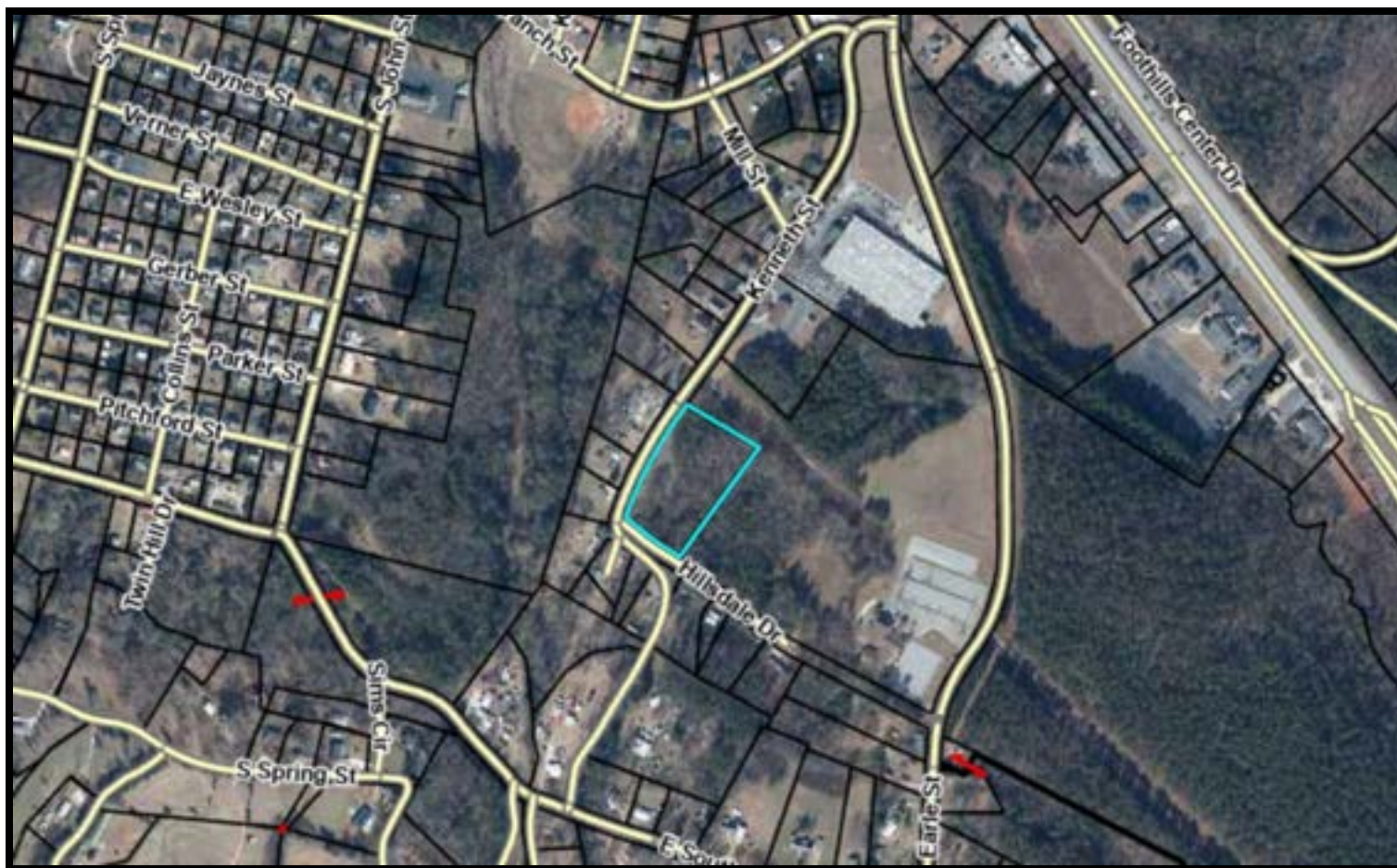
**Rezoning Request - Light Industrial (LI) to Single Family Residential (R-25)**

**Property at the corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive**

**TMS 500-24-01-002**



# AERIAL MAP



**Rezoning Request - Light Industrial (LI) to Single Family Residential (R-25)**

**Property at the corner of Kenneth Street and Hillsdale Drive**

**TMS 500-24-01-002**

## **AN ORDINANCE**

### **AMENDING THE BUSINESS LICENSE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALHALLA TO UPDATE THE CLASS SCHEDULE AS REQUIRED BY ACT 176 OF 2020.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Walhalla (the "Municipality") is authorized by S.C. Code Section 5-7-30 and Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 3 to impose a business license tax on gross income;

**WHEREAS**, by Act No. 176 of 2020, known as the South Carolina Business License Tax Standardization Act and codified at S.C. Code Sections 6-1-400 to -420 (the "Standardization Act"), the South Carolina General Assembly imposed additional requirements and conditions on the administration of business license taxes;

**WHEREAS**, the Standardization Act requires that by December thirty-first of every odd year, each municipality levying a business license tax must adopt, by ordinance, the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule as recommended by the Municipal Association of South Carolina (the "Association") and adopted by the Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office;

**WHEREAS**, following the enactment of the Standardization Act, the Municipality enacted Ordinance No. 2021-29 on December 21, 2021, in order to comply with the requirements of the Standardization Act (the "Current Business License Ordinance");

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Walhalla (the "Council") now wishes to amend the Current Business License Ordinance to adopt the latest Standardized Business License Class Schedule, as required by the Standardization Act;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Walhalla, as follows:

**SECTION 1. Amendments to Appendix B.** Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," is hereby amended as follows:

- (a) Classes 1 through 8 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," are hereby amended and restated as set forth on the attached Exhibit A.
- (b) Class 9 in Appendix B to the Current Business License Ordinance, the "Business License Class Schedule," shall remain in full force and effect as set forth in the Current Business License Ordinance.

**SECTION 2. Repealer, Effective Date.** All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall be effective with respect to the business license year beginning on May 1, 2026.

ENACTED IN REGULAR MEETING, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

First reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Final reading: \_\_\_\_\_



**Exhibit A: Amendment to Classes 1 – 8 in Appendix B of the  
Current Business License Ordinance**

**APPENDIX B  
Classes 1 – 8: Business License Class Schedule by NAICS Codes**

<b>NAICS Sector/Subsector</b>	<b>Industry Sector</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>11</b>	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	<b>1</b>
<b>21</b>	Mining	<b>3</b>
<b>22</b>	Utilities	<b>1</b>
<b>31 - 33</b>	Manufacturing	<b>3</b>
<b>42</b>	Wholesale trade	<b>1</b>
<b>44 - 45</b>	Retail trade	<b>1</b>
<b>48 - 49</b>	Transportation and warehousing	<b>2</b>
<b>51</b>	Information	<b>4</b>
<b>52</b>	Finance and insurance	<b>7</b>
<b>53</b>	Real estate and rental and leasing	<b>6</b>
<b>54</b>	Professional, scientific, and technical services	<b>4</b>
<b>55</b>	Management of companies	<b>7</b>
<b>56</b>	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	<b>3</b>
<b>61</b>	Educational services	<b>3</b>
<b>62</b>	Health care and social assistance	<b>3</b>
<b>71</b>	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	<b>3</b>
<b>721</b>	Accommodation	<b>1</b>
<b>722</b>	Food services and drinking places	<b>2</b>
<b>81</b>	Other services	<b>3</b>
<b>Class 8</b>	<b>Subclasses</b>	
<b>23</b>	Construction	<b>8.1</b>
<b>482</b>	Rail Transportation	<b>8.2</b>
<b>517111</b>	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	<b>8.3</b>
<b>517112</b>	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	<b>8.3</b>
<b>517122</b>	Agents for Wireless Telecommunications Services	<b>8.3</b>
<b>5241</b>	Insurance Carriers	<b>8.4</b>
<b>5242</b>	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	<b>8.4</b>
<b>713120</b>	Amusement Parks and Arcades	<b>8.51</b>
<b>713290</b>	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	<b>8.52</b>
<b>713990</b>	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries ( pool tables)	<b>8.6</b>

*2025 Class Schedule is based on a three-year average (2019 - 2021) of IRS statistical data.*