

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 )  
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE )

PETITION

**PETITION OF BELMONT FIRE AND SANITATION COMMISSION OF BELMONT FIRE AND SANITATION DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR A PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO TITLE 6, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE 5, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, AS AMENDED.**

1. Belmont Fire and Sanitation District, South Carolina (the "*District*") was created and established as a body politic and corporate, pursuant to Act No. 1208 of the Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina for the year 1968, as amended. The District is located wholly in Greenville County, South Carolina (the "*County*") and was established for the purpose of providing fire protection services within the District.

2. In carrying out its functions and duties, the Belmont Fire and Sanitation Commission (the "*Commission*"), the governing body of the District, has determined that the need exists for (i) the renovation, construction, acquisition, installation and equipping of improvements for the District's fire station; (ii) the acquisition of a new pumper truck and related equipment; (iii) the acquisition of a quick response vehicle and related equipment; (iv) the acquisition of radios and communication equipment; (v) the rehabilitation and repairs to a rescue vehicle; and (vi) the acquisition of various items of equipment and vehicles for the District (collectively, the "*Improvements*"). The District also intends to pay off its \$725,000 original principal amount Fire Station Lease Purchase 2006 (the "*Station Lease Purchase*").


It is presently estimated that the cost of the Improvements and paying off the Station Lease Purchase will amount to not exceeding \$1,250,000. The Commission has determined to finance the cost of the Improvements and paying off the Station Lease Purchase to the extent permissible under its general obligation debt limit, as established by Article X, Section 14(7) of the Constitution of South Carolina and to defray the remaining costs of the Improvements with available funds of the District.

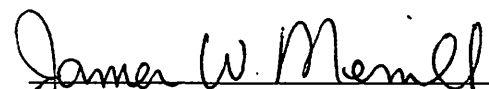
3. The County Council (the "*Council*") of the County, as the governing body of the County, is empowered by Title 6, Chapter 11, Article 5 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended (the "*Enabling Act*"), to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds pursuant to the provisions of the Enabling Act.

4. Pursuant to the Enabling Act, if the Council, upon petition of the Commission, determines that it is in the best interest of the District to raise moneys for the furtherance of any power and function of the District, the Council may order a public hearing to be held upon the question of the issuance of general obligation bonds of the District in one or more separate bond issues.

5. In order to finance the cost of the Improvements and the refunding of the Station Lease Purchase, the Commission has determined that it is necessary to issue not exceeding \$1,250,000 of general obligation bonds of the District (such principal amount not to exceed the then-applicable debt limit of the District) in one or more separate bond issues, and has adopted a Resolution to evidence such approval and to authorize this petition to the Council praying that said Council order a public hearing to be held on the question of the issuance of not exceeding \$1,250,000 of general obligation bonds of the District in one or more separate bond issues.

Therefore, the District requests that the Council order a public hearing to be held in the County on the question of authorizing the issuance of not exceeding \$1,250,000 of general obligation bonds of the District in one or more separate bond issues without an election.

  
Chairman, Belmont Fire and Sanitation Commission

  
Secretary, Belmont Fire and Sanitation Commission

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