

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

By resolution adopted March 15, 2022 (the “**Resolution**”), the County Council of Greenville County (the “**County Council**”), the governing body of Greenville County, South Carolina (the “**County**”), has determined to consider an ordinance (i) enlarging the boundaries of Metropolitan Sewer Subdistrict (“**Metro**”) to overlap the boundaries of Parker Sewer and Fire Sub-District (“**Parker**”) and the Taylors Fire and Sewer District (“**Taylors**” and together with Parker, the “**Districts**”); and (ii) amending Ordinance No. 5248 of the County Council, enacted on December 15, 2020 (the “**Consolidation Ordinance**”), as amended by Ordinance No. 5283 of the County Council, enacted on May 18, 2021, to repeal certain provisions thereof to withdraw the Districts from the consolidation of such special purpose districts into Metro. All such actions are proposed to be taken pursuant to the provisions of Title 6, Chapter 11, Article 3 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “**SPD Boundary Laws**”). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the definition given to such term in the Resolution. As required by Section 6-11-440 of the SPD Boundary Laws, notice is hereby given of the following:

1. **Public Hearing.** The County Council has ordered that a public hearing be held on the question of the proposed action described above (the “**Public Hearing**”). The Public Hearing shall be held during the regular meeting of Greenville County Council in the Council Chambers at 301 University Ridge, Greenville, South Carolina, on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (or as soon thereafter as other hearings are concluded). Anyone wishing to speak during this Public Hearing will need to register on-site to speak in-person at the Public Hearing during the 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The Public Hearing shall be conducted publicly in the manner above-stated and both proponents and opponents of the proposed action shall be given a full opportunity to be heard. Following the Public Hearing, the County Council shall determine whether to take the proposed action.

2. **Nature of Changes to Impacted Special Purpose Districts.** If the proposed action is taken: (i) the provisions of the Consolidation Ordinance pertaining to the consolidation of the Districts into Metro shall be repealed, with the effect that the Districts shall not be consolidated into Metro; and (ii) as of the effective date of the Ordinance (the “**Effective Date**”), the Metro Boundaries will be enlarged to overlap the boundaries of each of the Districts.

3. **Description of the Boundaries of Metro as Reconstituted and Enlarged.** If the proposed action is taken, the boundaries of Metro shall consist of those areas shown on a map placed on file with the Clerk to County Council and available for review at the County’s offices during normal business hours (the “**Enlarged Metro Boundaries**”).

4. **Functions to be Performed by Impacted Special Purpose Districts.** If the proposed action is taken, as of the Effective Date (i) Metro shall provide Sewer Collection Service within the Enlarged Metro Boundaries, and (ii) the Districts shall continue to provide Fire Service within their respective District Boundaries.

5. Reasons for the Proposed Change. The County Council has found that the proposed actions will unify the Sewer Collection Systems within the unincorporated area of the County, which the County Council has determined is beneficial for the reasons set forth in Section 1(c) and (d) of the Consolidation Ordinance, and which the County Council has determined may be achieved through the Boundary Enlargement.

6. Proposed Improvements and Funding. There are no improvements that are anticipated to be required to integrate the sewer collection systems of Metro and the Consolidated Districts or that are otherwise required as a consequence of the Boundary Enlargement. Substantial improvements are required to address the deficiencies of the Collection Systems, which are estimated to cost \$162 million over a period of twenty years. The cost of these improvements is expected to be paid through a combination of funds on hand, grants and other funds from State and federal sources, and the issuance of revenue bonds.

7. Issuance of Bonds. In order to effect the Boundary Enlargement, it will be necessary for Metro to satisfy all outstanding bonded indebtedness of the Districts related to their Collection Systems and the provision of Sewer Collection Service (together, “*Financings*”). Metro has proposed to issue revenue bonds in an amount necessary to satisfy the Financings, which are estimated to be outstanding in the amount of \$26 million.

8. Services Provided. Pursuant to Section 6-11-435 of the SPD Boundary Laws, by and through certain Intergovernmental Transfer Agreements by and between Metro and each of the Districts, and as set forth in the joint petitions received by the County Council from Metro and each of the Districts, the Districts have consented to Metro owning and operating the Collection Systems within their respective District Boundaries and providing Sewer Collection Service therein, which shall commence as of the Effective Date. The Districts shall continue to provide Fire Service within their respective District Boundaries and shall retain all other powers granted to the Districts by their establishing legislation and the general laws contained in the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF GREENVILLE COUNTY

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