

AN ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE MAINTENANCE OPERATING POLICIES FOR THE COUNTY ENGINEERING DIVISION; AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND POLICIES THAT ARE INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 2181.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Section 1. Maintenance Operating Policies for the County Engineering Division.

Chapter 18, Article I of the Greenville County Code, 1976, as amended is hereby amended to establish the maintenance operating policies for the Greenville Engineering Division as follows:

Sec. 18-11. Definitions.

County Road - A public road or public right-of-way that is listed on the official inventory of County roads and bridges adopted by County Council and/or revised as provided by Sec. 18-14 of this Ordinance or by action of County Council.

Full Width -

1. Road With Prescriptive Right-of-Way - an existing County-maintained roadway with no deeded or accepted platted right-of-way shall be considered to have a prescriptive right-of-way to allow for maintenance of the road, normally based on the transverse distance from ditch to ditch. The width of the travel surface is established according to what is appropriate for the available prescriptive right-of-way. Full width improvement would include widening the travel surface to the maximum extent possible and placing gravel only.
2. Road With Deeded or Platted Right-of-Way - Full width improvement on a fifty (50) foot right-of-way would consist of a twenty (20) foot roadway, five (5) foot shoulders, three (3) feet additional to the center of the ditches, and seven (7) foot back slopes. Full width improvement on a thirty-six (36) foot right-of-way would consist of an eighteen (18) foot roadway, three (3) foot shoulders, two (2) feet additional to the centerline of the ditches, and four (4) foot back slopes. Improving a road to full width includes installation of proper drainage facilities but does not ever include asphalt surface course.

Residence - A primary occupied dwelling place including houses, modular homes and mobile homes which have permanent electrical power installation.

Summer Home - A residence occupied on a seasonal or intermittent basis which is not considered a primary or permanent residence.

Road Segment - The portion of road located between intersecting roads.

Through Road - A road that connects two public or private roads and permits the uninhibited flow of traffic from one to the other.

Unimproved Road:

1. Paper Road - A road shown on a recorded subdivision plat, survey plat, or tax map but which is physically nonexistent or impassable.
2. Dirt Road - A road with a dirt travel surface which generally services no residents.
3. Gravel Road - A road with a gravel travel surface, normally extending to the driveway of the last residence on the road.

Unimproved Property - Any tract of land that does not contain a residence. Improving a road to property with a residence when that road is not the primary access to the residence shall be considered improvement of a road to unimproved property.

Summary Lots - A subdivision created on an existing public or private road, whereby the new lots adjoin and access the existing road.

Normally Dry Drainage Ways - Natural or man-made drainage ways that convey storm water runoff, but are normally dry between storm events.

Sec. 18-12. Work on the County Right-of-Way

(a) Roadway Improvements:

A County-maintained road may be improved on a segment by segment basis according to the following guidelines:

- (1) Access to Unimproved Property - A roadway to unimproved property may be improved for one-way traffic, averaging ten (10) feet to fifteen (15) feet wide, in dry weather and by the most economical means possible, provided the property owner submits to the County a written request and a copy of the new home building permit or mobile home permit; but no sand, stone, or drainage facilities will be placed thereon. Improvements to County roads for the purposes of maintaining access to unimproved property used for fruit or vegetable cultivation may be performed in special cases, subject to the approval of the County Engineer.
- (2) Access to Improved Property - A roadway may be improved to full width to an existing residence by the most economical means possible, provided that at least three (3) residences exist on the road section to be improved and that the density of residences is at least one residence per fifteen hundred (1500) feet of roadway, as determined by dividing the number of residences on the section to be improved by the length of the same section. Unimproved roads serving residences at the intersection of paved/unimproved roads or residences with driveways to paved roads shall not be improved.

(b) Roadway Surfaces:

Travel surfaces on a County-maintained road may be improved on a segment by segment basis according to the following guidelines:

- (1) Installation of Gravel.** The following guidelines pertain to the installation of gravel surfaces:
 - a.** Subject to the approval of the County Engineer, gravel may be placed on a County road to twenty (20) feet past the driveway of:
 - (i)** A house or business that is under construction (but not until the floor slab is complete for a slab-on-grade structure or the floor framing begins for a structure with a crawl space).
 - (ii)** A modular or mobile home for which a Mobile Home Permit or Septic Tank Permit has been issued.
 - (iii)** An unimproved lot or parcel, provided that the gravel and all other necessary materials are purchased and delivered by others.
 - b.** Gravel surfaces placed in accordance with (1)(a) above will be maintained only as long as construction of the new structure progresses at an acceptable rate or is completed as determined by the County Engineer.
 - c.** Subject to the approval of the County Engineer, gravel may be placed on an uninhabited segment of through road when:
 - (i)** The average daily traffic (ADT) count on the uninhabited road segment is fifteen (15) vehicles or greater, and
 - (ii)** The uninhabited road Segment is determined to be the shortest route to serve an inhabited road segment on the same road, and
 - (iii)** The length of the segment to be improved is not greater than fifty (50) percent of the total length (sum of all segments) of the road.
 - d.** Subject to the approval of the County Engineer, gravel may be placed on an uninhabited segment of through road if the road is critical in providing emergency services.
 - e.** If a cul-de-sac or turnaround is within fifty (50) feet of the last residence, gravel may be installed on the fifty (50) foot road section and cul-de-sac or turnaround.

- f. If the road extends farther than fifty (50) feet beyond the last residence without a cul-de-sac or turnaround, the existing road surface beyond the last residence may be maintained by scraping, but no gravel will be installed at County expense.

(2) Installation of New Asphalt Pavement:

The following guidelines pertain to the installation of new asphalt pavement on existing County dirt and gravel roads:

- a. Under normal circumstances, an existing County dirt or gravel road may be included in the annual road paving program if it meets all of the following criteria:
 - (i) The road has served a minimum of three (3) permanent residences for a minimum of three (3) years (Summer homes, homes located on, connecting to, or intersecting private roads, and homes located at the intersection of paved/unpaved roads do not qualify);and
 - (ii) A minimum thirty-six (36) foot right-of-way has been dedicated for a minimum pavement width of eighteen (18) feet, and
 - (iii) Appropriate drainage easements have been dedicated to provide for construction, maintenance, and operation of the road drainage system and stormwater conveyance through properties located below the outfall(s)
- b. Under special circumstances, and subject to the approval of the Assistant County Administrator for Public Works, an existing County, dirt or gravel road may be included in the annual road paving program, as approved by County Council, if one of the following problems exists:
 - (i) Deterioration of the road has Resulted in drainage, erosion and/or sedimentation problems which have impacted private property; or
 - (ii) Deterioration of the road has resulted in chronic maintenance problems and excessive maintenance activities are required on a quarterly basis.
- c. Upon the approval of the County Engineer, an unpaved road may be paved by a private party using private funds where all construction methods, materials, inspection and permitting shall comply with County standards.

(3) Resurfacing of Existing Asphalt Pavement:

The following pertains to resurfacing of existing paved roads:

Resurfacing Program. On an annual basis, the Public Works Department shall prepare and submit a proposed resurfacing program to County Council. The roads included in the proposed program shall be listed and prioritized in the order of overall structural condition, with roads having poor structural conditions receiving the higher priority.

(4) Extension of Asphalt Pavement:

The following pertains to extension of asphalt pavement on existing paved roads:

Pavement Extension. The Public Works Department may extend the paving on an existing paved road no more than the length required to serve an occupied residence, and in no case more than five hundred (500) feet. This work may be performed as a maintenance item. County Council approval for each road pavement extension shall not be required.

(c) Roadway Drainage:

Drainage systems on a County-maintained road may be improved according to the following guidelines:

- (1) Roadside Ditches - Improvements to roadside ditches including but not limited to clearing, regrading, and/or installation of rip rap or other erosion control measures shall be performed as necessary to provide proper operation and/or to remedy drainage or erosion problems as directed by the Maintenance Superintendent(s) or County Engineer.
- (2) Pipe Systems - Improvements to existing pipe systems and/or the replacement of roadside ditches with underground storm drainage systems are subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Installation by the County. Pipe system improvements shall be scheduled and prioritized according to the annual paving and maintenance programs. The County Engineer may authorize the installation of new underground pipe systems by County crews or County subcontractors when:
 - (i) Improvements are needed to remedy structural, traffic safety, erosion, or flooding problems on a County road.
 - (ii) Improvements are needed to eliminate deep ditches and/or narrow shoulders, and to enhance pedestrian safety. Cost-sharing (including but not limited to the purchase of materials) by property owners adjoining the improvements shall be required.
 - b. Installation by a Private Contractor - the County Engineer may authorize installation of new underground pipe systems in the County right-of-way by a private contractor if the following requirements are met:
 - (i) The private contractor shall obtain a County Encroachment Permit.
 - (ii) All materials and methods of installation shall comply with the SCDOT Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, latest edition.

(iii) The design of all proposed drainage pipes, culverts, and structures shall comply with the latest edition of the Greenville County Stormwater Management Design Manual.

(iv) The design of all proposed drainage pipes, culverts, and structures must be reviewed and approved by the Public Works Department prior to installation. The contractor shall retain the services of a registered professional engineer to design the system and create construction plans if necessary, at the request of the County Engineer or his/her designee.

(v) All costs associated with the proposed improvements shall be borne by the permittee.

- c. Under no circumstances shall the County replace an existing ditch with an underground pipe system at the request of a property owner for purely aesthetic or landscaping reasons.

(d) Driveway Entrances:

Installation of driveway entrances and driveway culverts are subject to the following guidelines:

(1) Installation by the County - the County may provide and install private residential driveway entrances and driveway culverts subject to the following conditions:

- a. The County will provide and install not more than twenty-four (24) feet of culvert up to a maximum of thirty-six (36) inches in diameter, or equivalent area thereof, per driveway entrance/culvert installation.
- b. Any and all work related to driveway entrance/culvert installation by a private contractor shall comply with the latest edition of the Greenville County Encroachment Permit Policy and Stormwater Management Design Manual.
- c. Where additional pipe is requested and provided by the property owner on site at the time of entrance/culvert installation by the County, the County will install not more than an additional eight (8) feet of pipe per driveway entrance.
- d. Driveway culverts shall only be installed if the culverts are necessary and essential for the proper drainage of the roadway.
- e. Driveway entrances/culverts may be installed only for the purpose of providing single access to an individual parcel of land as shown on the Greenville County Tax Maps or a recorded plat.
- f. For properties with multiple frontage (which front on a County road and additional public or private roads which are not maintained by the County), no driveway

entrance/culvert will be furnished on the County road if a driveway entrance is already provided on a non-County road.

- g. Prior to installing a driveway entrance/culvert for a residential property owner, the following is required from the requesting party:
 - (i) A copy of the building permit, mobile home permit, septic tank permit or other suitable construction permit.
 - (ii) A deposit in the amount of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars, returnable upon compliance with this ordinance.
 - (iii) The executed Driveway Entrance/Culvert Agreement form, which requires site improvements and building construction to be started and completed within one year; otherwise, the property owner will be liable for all costs associated with the driveway entrance/culvert installation including an additional one hundred (\$100.00) dollar fine and court costs and attorney's fees for collection of damages as necessary. Additionally, all costs and penalties for violating the agreement shall become a lien against the property of the owner until payment thereof.
- h. The County shall not be responsible for providing a second driveway entrance to any property unless the property owner or requesting party can present evidence to the satisfaction of Greenville County in the form of Encroachment Permits, invoices for services rendered, and/or receipts for materials purchased that the initial driveway entrance was installed at the property owner's expense and in accordance with County standards and policy.
- i. Where both the driveway and the County road are paved, the driveway apron may be paved by the County with asphalt, limited to two (2) driveways per parcel at twenty (20) feet wide each. Asphalt driveway aprons may be installed from paved roads to unpaved roads or driveways only when necessary to protect the edge of the road or control drainage. All work must be within County rights-of-way.

(2) Installation by a Private Contractor:

The following guidelines pertain to driveway entrance/culvert installation by a private contractor:

- a. The County shall require the property owner to obtain a County Encroachment Permit, with work to be performed by an individual under bond and bear all material and labor costs for installation of a proposed driveway entrance/culvert in the following situations:
 - (i) When the required driveway culvert pipe size exceeds thirty-six (36) inches, or equivalent area thereof, as determined by the Engineering Division.
 - (ii) For proposed driveway entrances providing access to vacant lots.

- (iii) For extra driveway entrances, in addition to a County-installed driveway entrance.
 - (iv) For entrances to private roads and shared drives, or any entrance that provides access to two or more properties.
 - (v) For individual driveway entrances on summary lots created by developers.
- b. Any and all work related to driveway entrance/culvert installation by a private contractor shall comply with the latest edition of the Greenville County Encroachment Permit Policy and Stormwater Management Design Manual.

Sec. 18-13. Work on Private Property.

Subject to the approval of the County Engineer, the following work on private property may be performed by County crews as described in this section. Hold harmless agreements from the affected property owners are required for all work on private property.

(a) Protection of Roads and Bridges:

Work on private property by County crews may be authorized to correct a situation detrimental to a County-maintained road and/or bridge which adversely affects the structural integrity or hydraulic capacity of the road/bridge, or adversely affects the safety of the traveling public. Such work may include but is not limited to:

- (1) Removal of Obstructing Debris in Streams. The County will remove debris which has blocked the upstream or downstream end of culverts or bridges.
- (2) Removal of Sight Distance Obstructions. The County will remove vegetation and/or structures and shave banks which impede the minimum sight distance required on County roads.
- (3) Scraping of Private Drives. Upon specific approval of the County Engineer, private driveways may be scraped only to the extent necessary to divert flow into side ditches and remedy erosion problems on a County road caused by runoff from the private drive.

(b) Drainage Assistance:

The County Engineer may authorize County crews to perform work on private property in order to remedy drainage problems caused by stormwater runoff from public roads or lands. The property owner(s) must sign hold harmless agreements, construction easement agreements, and drainage easement agreements (where necessary) for all work to be performed on their property. Drainage assistance is not available to residents in subdivisions with an active stormwater permit as required by the County stormwater management ordinance.

(1) Types of Work Performed:

The following types of drainage assistance work may be performed:

- a. Machine Cleaning of Normally Dry Drainage Ways - this type of work may include clearing, cleaning, and re-shaping of normally dry ditches, channels or swales.
- b. Installation of Rip Rap or Other Erosion Control Measures in Normally Dry Drainage Ways - this type of work may include installation of riprap, geotextiles, turf reinforcement mats, or other erosion control measures to stabilize normally dry ditches channels, or swales.
- c. Unclogging of Pipe in Normally Dry Drainage Ways - this type of work may include cleaning and removal of debris from normally dry pipe systems.
- d. Installation, Repair, Replacement, and/or Removal of Drainage Structures in Normally Dry Drainage Ways - this type of work may include the repair, replacement, or removal of existing pipe systems, and/or the installation of new pipe systems or channels in normally dry drainage ways.
- e. Machine Clearing of Stream Obstructions to Decrease Flooding Potential - this type of work may include clearing, snagging, and debris removal from perennial or ephemeral streams only for the purposes of decreasing flooding potential where habitable structures are threatened. This type of work is limited to maintenance activities only, and any other work requiring a U. S. Army Corps of Engineers permit or floodplain development permit is not eligible for County drainage assistance.
- f. Any project outside the scope outlined above would be considered a "Special Project", and as such would require approval by County Council.

(2) Application Requirements:

Drainage assistance work may be performed only after the following application requirements are satisfied:

- a. Approval by County Staff - all proposed work must be approved by the Drainage Assistance Program Coordinator.
- b. Drainage Easement Dedication Form - All applicants must sign the appropriate Drainage Easement Dedication form, unless an accepted deeded or platted drainage easement with the minimum required dimension already exists.
- c. Construction/Maintenance Agreement - All applicants must sign the appropriate Construction/Maintenance Agreement form.

- d. Hold Harmless Agreement - All applicants must sign the appropriate Hold Harmless Agreement form.

(3) Design and Construction Standards:

All drainage assistance work shall meet minimum standards with regard to design, materials, and installation. Any work involving the installation or modification of drainage structures or erosion control measures where hydrologic and hydraulic calculations are needed shall be required to meet specific design standards, as described below:

- a. All drainage assistance work shall be designed and constructed in accordance with accepted engineering and construction practices as detailed in the latest editions of the Greenville County Stormwater Management Design Manual, Greenville County Land Development Regulations and Standard Specifications for Construction adopted by the Public Works Division. All work must also meet local, state or federal regulatory standards as necessary, particularly with regard to sedimentation and erosion control during construction.
- b. All drainage assistance work involving the installation or modification of drainage structures or erosion control measures where hydrologic and hydraulic calculations are needed shall be designed under the supervision of a professional engineer with current registration in South Carolina. The plan must be approved by the County Engineer or his/her designee prior to implementing of the project.

(4) Responsibilities of the Applicant(s):

The applicant(s) shall be required to participate in the drainage assistance project as follows:

- a. Applicant(s) shall be responsible for providing all construction materials required for the project.
- b. Applicant(s) shall remove all existing vegetation, fences, structures, trash, debris and/or other obstructions located within the proposed construction zone prior to implementation of the project.

(5) Construction Scheduling:

The scheduling of construction of drainage assistance projects shall be subject to the following conditions:

- a. Project construction shall be scheduled on a "first come, first served" basis contingent upon the completion of all prerequisite activities (application approval, design, material acquisition, site clearing, etc.).

- b. The construction of drainage assistance projects shall receive the lowest priority with regard to the overall work load of County road maintenance crews, and shall be superseded by all normal or emergency maintenance activities.
 - (i) Reinforced Concrete Pipe (RCP) - RCP shall be limited to thirty (30) inches diameter and below but driveway pipes can be up to thirty six (36) inches.
 - (ii) Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) - CMP, aluminum or aluminized steel only, shall be limited to fifty-two (52) inches diameter and below.
 - (iii) High Density Polyethylene - HDPE pipe shall be limited to forty-eight (48) inches diameter and below.
- c. Corrugated metal pipe (CMP) and high density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe exceeding thirty (30) inches diameter shall be installed with stone bedding up to the spring line or half-way point of the pipe.
- d. A twenty-four (24) month waiting period is required between each drainage assistance project performed for the same property owner(s).

(c) Waste Soil:

The County Engineer may allow waste or surplus soils from County maintenance activities to be placed on private property at the property owner's request, subject to the following guidelines:

- (1) The maintenance facility must acquire and maintain a soil stockpile of suitable quality and quantity to meet its needs for road, shoulder, and/or drainage repairs before any waste/surplus material shall be given away.
- (2) The property owner requesting waste soil must sign the appropriate Waste Soil Release form, including an agreement that the property owner shall not resell the soil, before the waste soil can be placed on their property.
- (3) Waste soil is to be dumped on the most accessible, practical location on the property; no spreading or grading of the soil is allowed except to clear a path to dump additional material.
- (4) Hauling waste soils is to receive the lowest priority in the overall maintenance facility schedule, and shall only be scheduled when nearby maintenance activities provide a convenient and cost-effective opportunity for the County to haul the waste soil.
- (5) Payments to County staff or maintenance employees for waste soil is prohibited.

(d) Non-Emergency Assistance to Governmental Agencies:

The County Engineer may authorize the use of County labor, equipment, and/or materials to provide non-emergency assistance to other governmental agencies in Greenville County, provided that the Engineering Division shall be reimbursed for the actual costs incurred in providing such assistance, including the costs of direct and indirect labor, equipment and materials. After such work is performed, the County Engineer shall submit a report to the County Council at its next regular meeting, describing the type/extent of assistance and total costs for labor, equipment and/or materials.

(e) Special Driveway Access:

The County Engineer may authorize County crews to scrape private driveways for County residents subject to the following guidelines:

- (1) The work shall be performed only in the following situations:
 - a. To provide access to a residence for funeral purposes. A written request by a licensed funeral director is required to perform this service.
 - b. To provide access to a residence occupied by a person with a medical condition who is considered indigent according to the standards used by Greenville County. A written request by a licensed medical doctor is required to perform this service.
- (2) The service shall be offered on a "one time only" basis.
- (3) The property owner shall be charged for the costs to provide the service, except for situations meeting the criteria of (1)(b) above, subject to the discretion of the County Engineer.
- (4) The use of gravel and/or other materials shall be kept to a minimum, and shall only be used for making repairs where adverse conditions such as inclement weather necessitate its use.
- (5) After such work is performed, the County Engineer shall submit a report to the County Council describing the type/extent of work and total costs for labor, equipment and materials.

(f) Cemetery Access:

The County Engineer may authorize County crews to scrape access roads to cemeteries subject to the following guidelines:

- (1) The service shall only be provided for roads included in the Engineering Divisions list of roads that qualify under this section and/or sites not listed as taxable property.

- (2) The use of gravel and/or other materials shall be kept to a minimum, and shall only be used for making repairs where adverse conditions such as inclement weather necessitate its use.
- (3) No permanent road improvements shall be allowed.

Sec. 18-14. Road Acceptance.

(a) Eligibility Requirements:

An Existing non-County maintained road may be accepted into the County Inventory for permanent maintenance in the following cases:

- (1) **Extensions of Existing County-Maintained Roads** - The County Engineer may approve the acceptance of an extension of a County-maintained road listed in the Official County Road Inventory if the extension meets the criteria of the department's "Policy on the Extension of County Maintained Roads" in effect at the time of the request. A road extension accepted under the terms of this paragraph shall not be eligible for paving for a period of four (4) years after the date of acceptance.
- (2) **Roads Meeting the Requirements of the Greenville County Land Development Regulations** - The County Engineer may approve the acceptance of roads inside the jurisdiction area of the Greenville County Planning Commission which comply with the design and construction standards set forth in the Greenville County Land Development Regulations, as amended.
- (3) **Roads Meeting the Requirements of Ordinance No. 3342** - The County Engineer may approve the acceptance of roads outside the jurisdiction area of the Greenville County Planning Commission which comply with the design and construction standards set forth in Ordinance No. 3342, which applies in the area outside subdivision regulations.
- (4) **Roads Established Prior to September 15, 1967** - The County Engineer may approve the acceptance of roads which were established prior to the implementation of subdivision regulations on September 15, 1967, if all of the following criteria are satisfied; however, a road accepted under these provisions shall not be eligible for paving for a period of four (4) years after the date of acceptance:
 - a. The applicant(s) shall provide evidence, including aerial photographs, affidavits, maps, deeds of record and/or other data, that indicates roadway establishment which afforded continuous unrestricted use by the general public prior to September 15, 1967.
 - b. The road shall meet minimum private road standards as set forth in the Greenville County Land Development Regulations, except for paving requirements.

- c. A cul-de-sac or other appropriate turnaround shall be established within a dedicated right-of-way on all dead end roads.
- d. The applicant(s) shall submit the appropriate Road Acceptance Petition form, fully executed with the signatures of one hundred (100%) percent of the property owners who collectively own one hundred (100) percent of the frontage on the road.
- e. The road must serve three (3) or more tax parcels, each owned by a different party as determined by plats, tax maps, and/or deeds of record.
- f. The road must serve at least one (1) residence per fifteen hundred (1500) lineal feet of road.
- g. Ownership along the road must satisfy the Twenty Percent Rule. Under the Twenty Percent Rule no one property owner shall retain more than twenty (20) percent of the total number of lots fronting the road, or twenty (20) percent of the total land area fronting the road.
- h. The property owners shall dedicate a minimum fifty (50) foot right-of-way for the road.
- i. Newly paved roads will require a 24 months waiting period.

(b) Review, Inspection and Acceptance Procedures:

Procedures for the review, inspection and acceptance of roads being brought into the County inventory shall include but not be limited to the following:

- (1) The applicant shall provide all forms, petitions, agreements, supporting data, etc., as required by the County during the review process.
- (2) County staff shall conduct a thorough inspection of the road according to the department's "Policy and Procedures for Acceptance of Private Roads", and provide a punch list of necessary improvements, if any, to meet the required standards.
- (3) The applicant(s) shall make improvements as noted on the punch list, if necessary, and the County shall conduct subsequent inspections until all items are addressed. Removal and/or relocation of utilities, fences, structures, vegetation or other obstacles to accommodate improvements/construction within the designated right-of-way shall be the responsibility of the applicant(s).
- (4) After staff review, inspection, and approval of the road, the applicant(s) shall submit a sealed right-of-way plat, suitable for recording at the County Register of Deeds Office, showing the road, lots, and dedicated right-of-way.

Sec. 18-15. Road Maintenance Relinquishment.

(a) Roads Deleted from the SCDOT Road System:

Roads and/or bridges found by the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) to be of little traffic importance and deleted from the SCDOT Road System are hereby found by Greenville County Council to be of little traffic importance or use to Greenville County, and such roads shall not be added to the County Official Road Inventory for permanent maintenance without specific approval by County Council.

(b) County Road Maintenance Relinquishment:

The County Engineer may authorize the relinquishment of permanent maintenance responsibilities for a County road or portion at the end of a County road, at the request of property owner(s) living on the road or road portion who have satisfied all criteria set forth in the department's "Policy and Procedures for County Road Maintenance Relinquishment", available at the Public Works Division office.

(c) Road Annexation by Municipalities:

The Public Works Division will acknowledge the annexation of a county road or portions of county roads upon receipt of a certified copy of the city ordinance that demonstrates the annexation of property and roads.

Sec. 18-16. Emergency Work.

(a) Emergencies, General:

The County Engineer may authorize the use of County labor, equipment, and materials in emergency situations which in the opinion of the County Engineer warrant such use, for a period not exceeding twenty-four (24) hours unless extended on a day to day basis by the County Administrator. After such work is performed, the County Engineer shall submit a report to the County Administrator, describing the emergency situation, the type/extent of work performed, and total costs for labor, equipment and materials.

(b) Emergency Aid to Governmental Agencies:

The Assistant County Administrator for Public Works may authorize the use of County labor, equipment, and materials to aid other governmental agencies in major emergencies or declared disasters, provided a mutual agreement is executed and the maximum reimbursement is requested from funding authorities. After such work is performed, the Assistant County Administrator for Public Works shall submit a report to the County Administrator, describing the emergency situation, the type/extent of aid provided, and total costs for labor, equipment and materials.

Sec. 18-17. Prohibition.

Except as specified in this ordinance, no County labor, equipment, and/or materials shall be furnished to corporations, partnerships, builders, developers, contractors, or other establishments, groups, or individuals associated with industrial or commercial ventures.

Section 2. Repeal

Ordinance Number 2181 is hereby repealed. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance, or inconsistent with its provisions, are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.


Section 3. Severability

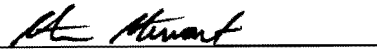
Severability is intended throughout and within the provisions of this Ordinance. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, then that decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date

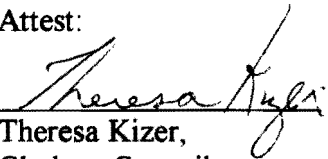
This ordinance shall become effective on the date of its adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS 5th DAY OF March, 2002.


Dozier Brooks, Chairman
Greenville County Council


Steven Stewart
County Administrator

Attest:


Theresa Kizer,
Clerk to Council