

# COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023



RECOMMENED ANNUAL BUDGET

6/7/2022

County of Lexington  
Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Recommended Summary Recap of Appropriations

	Appropriations Only			Estimated Revenues vs Recommended Budget FY 2022 - 2023	
	Approved FY 2021 - 2022	Recommended FY 2022 - 2023	Over/(short) Difference	Revenues	Over/(short) From Fund Balance
General Fund (Includes FS & LE):					
Ord. General Fund	\$ 78,818,585	\$ 82,049,655	\$ 3,231,070	\$ 81,898,736	\$ (150,919)
Fire Service	\$ 25,734,420	\$ 25,820,908	\$ 86,488	\$ 25,820,908	\$ -
Law Enforcement	\$ 56,170,852	\$ 58,897,373	\$ 2,726,521	\$ 55,896,865	\$ (3,000,508)
	<u>\$ 160,723,857</u>	<u>\$ 166,767,936</u>	<u>\$ 6,044,079</u>	<u>\$ 163,616,509</u>	<u>\$ (3,151,427)</u>
Non - General Fund:					
Library	\$ 9,563,730	\$ 10,000,431	\$ 436,701	\$ 10,000,431	\$ -
Solicitor	\$ 1,935,604	\$ 1,907,553	\$ (28,051)	\$ 1,375,217	\$ (532,336)
Law Enforcement	\$ 5,920,115	\$ 5,400,816	\$ (519,299)	\$ 5,776,381	\$ 375,565
Red Bank Crossing - (minus depreciation)	\$ 145,843	\$ 84,888	\$ (60,955)	\$ 104,565	\$ 19,677
Solid Waste - (minus depreciation)	\$ 23,282,104	\$ 20,038,620	\$ (3,243,484)	\$ 18,629,385	\$ (1,409,235)
Airport - (minus depreciation)	\$ 1,388,213	\$ 114,979	\$ (1,273,234)	\$ 166,264	\$ 51,285
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$ 44,321,895	\$ 45,739,428	\$ 1,417,533	\$ 45,082,525	\$ (656,903)
Total Non-General Funds	<u>\$ 86,557,504</u>	<u>\$ 83,286,715</u>	<u>\$ (3,270,789)</u>	<u>\$ 81,134,768</u>	<u>\$ (2,151,947)</u>
County of Lexington Total Appropriations	<u>\$ 247,281,361</u>	<u>\$ 250,054,651</u>	<u>\$ 2,773,290</u>	<u>\$ 244,751,277</u>	<u>\$ (5,303,374)</u>

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
MILLAGE FUNDS  
BUDGET RECAP  
FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

	2022-2023 Base Revenue Estimate	2022-2023 Recommended Appropriations	* Difference
<b>COUNTY OPERATIONS</b>			
1. General Fund			
a. County Ordinary	\$ 81,898,736	\$ 82,049,655	\$ (150,919)
b. Law Enforcement	25,820,908	25,820,908	0
c. Fire Service	55,896,865	58,897,373	(3,000,508)
Total General Fund	<u>163,616,509</u>	<u>166,767,936</u>	<u>(3,151,427)</u>
2. Library	10,000,431	10,000,431	0
3. Solid Waste	18,629,385	20,038,620	(1,409,235)
4. Indigent Care	815,410	623,354	192,056

**AGENCY OPERATIONS:**

5. Lexington Recreation Commission	14,074,429	13,903,620	170,809
6. Irmo-Chapin Rec Commission	4,756,613	4,527,619	228,994
7. Midlands Technical College	4,532,600	5,207,896	(675,296)
8. Midlands Tech - Capital	2,100,648	2,006,196	94,452
9. Hollow Creek Watershed	8,759	8,759	0
10. Irmo Fire District	3,398,185	3,313,460	84,725

\* Any Differences are to be covered by Fund Balance.

**COUNTY OF LEXINGTON**  
**Millage Agency Comparison**  
**Fiscal Year 2022-23**

	Fiscal Year 2021-22 Approved Amount/Actual Disbursement				Fiscal Year 2022-23 Recommended	
	Fund	Approved Amount	Actual Disbursement*	Millage	Amount	Millage
Lexington County Recreation & Aging Commission	7620	\$ 13,132,700	\$ 10,882,490	11.728	\$ 13,903,620	11.728
Irmo Chapin Recreation Commission	7630	\$ 4,482,791	\$ 4,048,327	12.682	\$ 4,527,619	12.682
Midlands Technical College	7650	\$ 4,573,803	\$ 3,537,044	2.833	\$ 5,207,896	2.833
Midlands Technical College - Capital	7652	\$ 1,222,976	\$ -	0.839	\$ 1,271,895	0.839
Midlands Technical College - Debt Service		\$ 706,059	\$ -	0.500	\$ 734,301	0.500
		\$ 1,929,035	\$ -	1.339	\$ 2,006,196	1.339
Hollow Creek Watershed	7660	\$ 7,634	\$ 7,287	1.529	\$ 8,759	1.529
Irmo Fire District Asking for CPI, Pop and look-back. FY 22-23	7800, 7802	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,534,471	19.325	\$ 3,313,460	21.275

\* Actual disbursements through February 28, 2022

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
MILLAGE ANALYSIS  
FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

	2021 Actual Millage	STATUTORILY ALLOWED						2022 Actual to 2022 (CPI & Pop.)	2022 Millage Adjustment	2022 Approved Millage
		CPI Adjust. 4.70%	2022 Millage Plus CPI	Population Adjust. 1.78%	2022 Millage Plus Pop	2022 Millage Plus CPI & Pop.	Change from 2021 Actual			
<b>COUNTY OPERATIONS:</b>										
1. General Fund										
a. County Ordinary	24.557	1.154	25.711	0.437	24.994	26.148	1.591			24.557
b. Law Enforcement	33.593	1.579	35.172	0.598	34.191	35.770	2.177			33.593
c. Fire Service	21.625	1.016	22.641	0.385	22.010	23.026	1.401			21.625
Total General Fund	79.775	3.749	83.524	1.420	81.195	84.944	5.169	0.000		79.775
2. Library	5.919	0.278	6.197	0.105	6.024	6.302	0.383			5.919
3. Solid Waste	7.544	0.355	7.899	0.134	7.678	8.033	0.489			7.544
4. Indigent Care	0.479	0.023	0.502	0.009	0.488	0.511	0.032			0.479
<b>TOTAL COUNTY OPERATING MILLAGE</b>	<b>93.717</b>	<b>4.405</b>	<b>98.122</b>	<b>1.668</b>	<b>95.385</b>	<b>99.790</b>	<b>6.073</b>	<b>0.000</b>		<b>93.717</b>
<b>AGENCY OPERATIONS:</b>										
5. Lexington Recreation Commission	11.728	0.551	12.279	0.209	11.937	12.488	0.760			11.728
6. Irmo-Chapin Rec Commission	12.682	0.596	13.278	0.226	12.908	13.504	0.822			12.682
7. Midlands Technical College	2.833	0.133	2.966	0.050	2.883	3.016	0.183			2.833
8. Midlands Tech - Capital	1.339	0.063	1.402	0.024	1.363	1.426	0.087			1.339
9. Irmo Fire District	19.325	0.908	20.233	0.344	19.669	20.577	1.252	1.950		21.275
10. Hollow Creek Watershed	1.529	0.072	1.601	0.027	1.556	1.628	0.099			1.529

**County of Lexington, South Carolina**  
**Finance Department**  
**Estimated Value of 1 Mill**

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	<b>2021 Pre-Final 2/1/2022</b>	<b>TY2022 Estimate w/ Growth</b>
COUNTY-WIDE UNABATED - Midlands Tech	1,426,757	1,498,095
COUNTY-WIDE ABATED - County Ordinary - Law Enforcement - Library - Solid Waste - Indigent Care	1,406,424	1,476,745
FIRE SERVICE	1,094,411	1,143,659
IRMO FIRE SERVICE	149,824	153,570
LEXINGTON RECREATION	1,069,682	1,112,469
IRMO-CHAPIN RECREATION	356,810	363,946
HOLLOW CREEK WATERSHED	5,528	5,666

COUNTY OF LEXINGTON  
SOUTH CAROLINA



ANNUAL BUDGETS  
FISCAL YEAR 2022 – 2023

# COUNTY OF LEXINGTON

FISCAL YEAR 2022 - 2023

ANNUAL BUDGETS

## COUNTY COUNCIL

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## **BUDGET POLICIES**

### **COMPLIANCE**

All departments, divisions, and outside agencies which accept funds appropriated by Lexington County Council through this budget are expected to fully and willingly comply with the fiscal, personnel, and operational policies set forth in it, as well as any such policies which may be legally adopted by County Council during the course of the fiscal year this budget covers. Failure of any recipient of Lexington County funding to abide by the policies of Lexington County Council may result in immediate withdrawal of funding.

Except for policy changes detailed below, and/or reflected in the appropriations set forth therein, all previously adopted fiscal policies shall remain in force.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY**

The County Administrator has the authority to approve purchase requisitions up to \$50,000 and the authority to approve any administrative budgetary transfers between budgeted line items at the request of department managers.

Any new full-time or part-time positions, in addition to the personnel authorization list adopted with the annual budget, shall require County Council approval. Departmental reorganization of existing positions that result in additional personnel or operating cost, to include position reclassifications, shall require County Council approval.

It is County Council's intent to maximize the efficiency and to unify the efforts of the County's central service operations in Finance, Human Resources and Technology Services. To this end, the County Administrator shall establish procedures for functional coordination of these operations between the central service operating departments and personnel performing like functions within other operating departments.

### **GRANT POLICY**

All initial application requests for grants and/or final acceptance of grants shall be presented to the appropriate County Council Committee for review. These submissions shall be sent to the County Grants Manager and shall be received prior to the cutoff date for preparing the agenda for the upcoming Council meeting. Submissions shall include the entire application package as required by the granting agency, AND a line item detail budget in accordance with the County's established budget process, AND shall disclose any required funding requirements for a grant match. (As far as possible, the grants shall be incorporated into the annual budget process. Deviations from this should be avoided if possible.) Submitting an application to the Committee allows a two-week review before the final Council consideration. The County of Lexington adheres to the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards ("Uniform Guidance").

## CHECKING ACCOUNTS / BANK ACCOUNTS

All checking accounts and other bank accounts controlled and administered by Lexington County (or its employees or agents) shall be titled "County of Lexington" on the first line of the account. The second line of the account name shall indicate the specific description of the account.

## ANNUAL INFLATION (CPI) ADJUSTMENT TO COUNTY FEES

All major county set fees for services shall be reviewed annually as part of the budget process to adjust for any warranted inflationary adjustment (CPI), but not in excess of market comparables. (Fees established by specific statute would not be covered by this policy.) The CPI adjustment shall be the same as that used for other budget adjustments. Both existing and proposed fee rates and annual revenue estimates shall be included as part of the departmental budget request by each respective department each budget cycle. Also, because of the intent to cover services provided by the cost to provide those services, as part of this annual review, each fee-based revenue shall be compared to its total cost (direct and indirect).

These major fees include, but are not limited to the following:

- Ambulance fees
- Building permits
- Mobile home permits
- Subdivision regulation fees
- Stormwater management fees
- Map & aerial sales
- Zoning ordinance fees
- Landscape ordinance fees
- Sign sales

## HUMAN RESOURCES POLICIES

The County of Lexington uses a system of pay-bands and ranges to classify and compensate its employees. There is a 50% range in each grade from minimum (entry level) to maximum. Every position is evaluated to establish its hierarchy or relative value within the organization, or its *internal equity*. Annual *performance evaluations* are conducted each year with employee's evaluation scores used to establish a percentage increase in pay.

During fiscal year 2014-2015, Lexington County Council authorized a classification and compensation study. The study was conducted, a recommended compensation structure was developed, and implementation strategies were considered. Salaries of elected officials will be adjusted according to state law if applicable, or shall be increased in the same percentage as approved by state and/or County Council. Salaries of County Council, Chairman, and Vice Chairman shall be adjusted every two years effective January of the year following the General Election of these positions, in an amount equal to the cumulative adjustment of the previous two fiscal years. Additional pay changes may be made based upon state law and/or specific County Council action.

Employees accumulate sick leave at the rate of one day per month, not to exceed a maximum accumulation of 90 days at the end of any given pay period (effective July 1, 1996). Annual leave for employees is accrued without limit throughout the year, but is adjusted annually at fiscal year-end to a maximum accumulation of 45 days. Annual and sick leave maximum accumulations for employees with work schedules other than the traditional 80-hour bi-weekly schedule are calculated into equivalent hours as detailed on the following table:

<u>Scheduled Hours</u>	<u>Allowable Maximum Annual Leave Hours</u>	<u>Allowable Maximum Sick Leave Hours</u>
80	360.00	720.00
84	378.00	756.00
85	382.50	765.00
86	387.00	774.00
95	427.50	855.00
112	504.00	1,008.00

#### EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Effective January 1, 2014, the County moved from one major medical plan to one major medical plan with three options: a 80/20 plan (the Gold plan), a 70/30 plan (the Silver plan) and a Qualified High Deductible Health Plan (the Bronze plan). Premiums for these plans will be reviewed annually and adjusted, if necessary, on a calendar year (January 1 – December 31) basis.

## LEGAL HOLIDAYS

The following thirteen (13) days will be observed as Legal Holidays during FY 2022-2023:

Independence Day	Monday, July 4, 2022
Labor Day	Monday, September 5, 2022
Veterans' Day	Friday, November 11, 2022
Thanksgiving	Thursday and Friday November 24 & 25, 2022
Christmas	Friday, Monday and Tuesday December 23, 26 & 27, 2022
New Year	Monday, January 2, 2023
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 16, 2023
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 20, 2023
Confederate Memorial Day	Wednesday, May 10, 2023
Memorial Day	Monday, May 29, 2023

Law Enforcement and Emergency Services shift workers scheduled to work on the following thirteen (13) holidays during FY 2022-2023 will receive holiday pay:

Independence Day	Monday, July 4, 2022
Labor Day	Monday, September 5, 2022
Veterans' Day	Friday, November 11, 2022
Thanksgiving	Thursday and Friday November 24 & 25, 2022
Christmas	Saturday, Sunday and Monday December 24, 25 & 26, 2022
New Year	Sunday, January 1, 2023
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 16, 2023
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 20, 2023
Confederate Memorial Day	Wednesday, May 10, 2023
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## TRAVEL AND MEETINGS EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

**The County Administrator shall approve all travel**, in-state or out-of-state, prior to any trip being made by County employees. Without prior authorization, the actual cost of a trip shall not be reimbursed by the County.

When on official County business, and upon presentation of a paid receipt or other applicable documentation as noted herein, County employees will be reimbursed for ordinary and necessary expenses in accordance with the provisions below. It shall be the responsibility of the agency head to monitor all charges submitted by their employees in order to determine that such charges are reasonable, taking into consideration location, purpose of travel, or extenuating circumstances.

### Actual Expenses:

Registration fees (with agenda & cost information required)

Commercial travel (air, rail, bus, and taxi fares - with *dated* receipts)

Lodging costs (hotel and motel *itemized* accommodations receipts)

Meals - (*dated* receipts required on day trips - not to exceed \$45)

Meal Limit Breakdown for Day Trips:

Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
6am - 9am	11am - 2pm	after 6pm
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\$10.00	\$13.00	\$22.00

(trips involving overnight stay, see Standard Allowance for Meals and Incidentals)

Required parking fees (with *dated* receipts)

Mandatory fees or gratuities (with *dated* receipts)

### Standard Allowance for Meals and Incidentals:

Instead of claiming the actual costs of meals as in a day-trip, employees staying overnight will be reimbursed for meals and incidental expenses at a rate of \$45.00 for a 24-hour period and no receipts are necessary. (The term "incidental expenses" means: fees and tips given to porters, baggage carriers, bellhops, hotel maids, stewards, etc. For further explanation see Federal Publication 463.)

On the day that the business travel begins and ends, the allowance will be figured at 75% of the daily allowance (\$33.75).

Meals included in registration costs will reduce the amount of the standard meal allowance by the applicable allowance for each meal as stated above. For example, if registration includes a noon luncheon, then that day's standard meal allowance would be reduced as follows (\$45.00 less \$13.00, or \$32.00).

### Standard Mileage Allowance:

This is to be used only if a County vehicle is not available or practical to use. Noncommercial travel shall be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.585 (or current Federal rate) per mile when employees must use private vehicles for County business. Odometer readings must be recorded and submitted for reimbursement; however, reimbursement shall be limited to the shortest usually-traveled route.

Disallowance of Reimbursement Due to Proximity:

No employee shall receive reimbursement for activities within ten (10) miles of their official headquarters except when they are required to attend statewide, regional, or district meetings within that area. Also, no reimbursement for overnight accommodations will be permitted within fifty (50) miles of the traveler's headquarters and/or residence.

Travel Advances:

Travel advances shall be limited to the costs associated with registration, the standard meal allowance for meals, personal mileage based upon distances given on an official S.C. Highway Department map, and to 80% of the estimated cost of lodging, airfare, and other costs. There will be **no** advance for gas expense if traveling in a County vehicle.

Application for Reimbursement:

Employees shall only be reimbursed for expenses by submitting proper paid and dated *original* receipts and other applicable documentation together with the appropriate form. These forms are the "Trip Request / Expense Statement" (LCF-600/600A) and the "Mileage Reimbursement" (LCF-116). **Requests for reimbursement for daily recurring travel shall be submitted for payment on a monthly basis by the third working day of each month.**

## OTHER NECESSARY COUNTY BUSINESS EXPENSE POLICY

County Council Expenses:

The County Council Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Council Members shall be reimbursed actual expenses when conducting other County business unlike the travel and meetings cost explained in the prior section.

County Administration:

The County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator, and department heads shall be reimbursed actual amounts for ordinary and necessary business expenses not included in the prior section.

Foreign Travel Expenses:

When traveling outside the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico upon promotional business for the County of Lexington, expenses for meals and lodging shall be reimbursed at actual cost not subject to the limitations otherwise applicable.

Extradition Travel Expenses:

Extradition travel expenses shall be reimbursed actual costs within all parameters set forth in the prior section. All cost must be substantiated with *dated* receipts.

## VEHICLE USE POLICY (EMPLOYER PROVIDED VEHICLES):

This policy is to cover record keeping requirements and tax law relating to employer provided vehicles, and is to be considered a supplantation to the "Vehicle Management Policy" adopted by County Council on June 11, 1986. The availability of a county-owned vehicle is generally considered a taxable fringe benefit for the employee. The business use is qualified as a working condition fringe and will not be included in the employee's income. However, if the employee also uses the vehicle for commuting or other personal purposes, the value of such use is includable in their income.

### Qualified non-personal use vehicles:

A qualified non-personal use vehicle is any vehicle that is not likely to be used more than minimally for personal purposes because of the way it is designed. Therefore, the total use in this case qualifies as a working-condition fringe and 100% of the value of that use is excluded from income.

### Qualified non-personal use vehicles include:

- Clearly marked police and fire vehicles
- Unmarked vehicles used by law enforcement officers if the use is officially authorized
- Ambulances
- Any vehicle designed to carry cargo with a loaded gross vehicle weight over 14,000 pounds
- Delivery trucks with seating only for the driver
- Passenger buses used as such with a capacity of at least 20 passengers
- Tractors and other special purpose farm vehicles
- Such other vehicles as the Internal Revenue Service may designate

More specific information on the determination of this exception can be obtained from IRS Publication 917.

### Record Keeping Requirements:

In order to establish the amount of working condition fringes and the taxable personal use, a daily mileage log must be maintained for all county-owned vehicles. (This requirement applies to vehicles assigned to specific employees as well as any county "fleet" vehicles.) Also, this log shall record all employees who may be commuting in the vehicle. Copies of this log shall be submitted to the Finance Department by the 10th day of the month following the end of a quarter. The quarters applicable to vehicle use reporting are:

First Quarter	November 1 - January 31
Second Quarter	February 1 - April 30
Third Quarter	May 1 - July 31
Fourth Quarter	August 1 - October 31

### Special Valuation Rules:

There are three special valuation rules for valuing the use or availability of a county-owned vehicle. These rules are summarized below and more complete details are included in IRS Publication 535.



**Lease Valuation Rule:**

(Applicable for vehicle use by the County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator, County Sheriff, elected officials, department heads, and other control employees.) The annual lease value is based upon the fair market value of the vehicle as determined by IRS issued lease value tables and generally must be recalculated every four years. The annual lease value does not include the value of county-provided fuel; therefore, fuel will be valued at 5.5 cents per mile for personal miles and will be included in the total fringe calculation.

**Commuting Valuation Rule:**

(Applicable for vehicle use by any employee required by the County to commute in a county vehicle, and there is no personal use other than commuting.) The value of the commuting use of a county-provided vehicle is \$1.50 per one-way commute, or \$3.00 per round trip. If more than one employee commutes in the vehicle, the amount includable in the income of each employee is \$3.00 per day. All employees commuting in a county vehicle must be listed on the vehicle's daily log which will be submitted to the Finance Department each quarter. (See Record Keeping Requirements.)

**Standard Mileage Rate Valuation Rule:**

(Applicable for vehicle use by county employees not covered by the two previous evaluation methods.) The standard mileage rate of \$0.585 (or current federal rate) shall be used to value the taxable fringe benefit.

**Applying the Valuation Rules:**

Using the valuation rules as listed above, the taxable fringe amount will be reported on the employee's Form W-2. Also, social security (FICA) will be calculated on the quarterly fringe amount, and withheld from the employee's paycheck in the month after submission to the Finance Department. The County elects not to withhold income taxes on the value of the vehicle use, but the total fringe value will be added as income to the employee's Form W-2 at year end.

**Compliance with Tax Law:**

The County's vehicle use policy as stated herein is derived from applicable tax provisions as stated in IRS Publications 535 and 917, and shall be amended to remain in conformance with applicable tax law as these provisions may be revised.



**ORDINANCE 22-10**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023**

**WHEREAS**, South Carolina Code § 4-9-120 and § 4-9-130 require that County Council shall adopt an annual budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the annual budget shall be based upon estimated revenues and shall provide appropriations for County operations and debt service for all County departments and agencies.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it ordained and enacted by the Lexington County Council as follows:

**SECTION 1 - GENERAL**

The Fiscal Year 2022-2023 County budget for Lexington County, South Carolina, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by way of reference, is hereby adopted.

**SECTION 2 - COUNTY-WIDE TAX LEVY**

There shall be levied, for County operations and for County designated millage agencies (Midlands Technical College) on all taxable property in Lexington County, sufficient taxes to fund the referenced budget in the number of mills allowed in Code Section 6-1-320.

County Ordinary	24.557
Law Enforcement	33.593
Fire Service	21.625
Library	5.919
Solid Waste	7.544
Indigent Care	.479
<b>Total County Operating Millage</b>	<b>93.717</b>
Midlands Technical College	2.833
Midlands Tech - Capital	1.339

**SECTION 3 - DEBT SERVICE TAX LEVY**

The County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to levy millages for all County and special district debt service funds in amounts sufficient to retire their respective debts.

**SECTION 4 - SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT TAX LEVY**

There shall be levied, for the special purpose districts (Lexington County Recreation and Aging Commission, Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission, and Irmo Fire District) on all taxable property in their respective districts, sufficient taxes to fund their respective budgets in the number of mills, allowed in Code Section 6-1-320.

Lexington Recreation Commission	11.728
Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission	12.682
Irmo-Fire District	21.275
Hollow Creek Watershed	1.529

**SECTION 5 - BUDGETARY ESTIMATES**

Anticipated revenues are stated as estimates and the respective appropriations are maximum and conditional. Should actual funding sources for any such fund be less than projected, the Administrator shall reduce budgeted expenditures attributable to said fund.

**SECTION 6 - BUDGETARY CONTROL**

Departments and/or other organizational units are bound to the appropriated expenditures incorporated herein. Upon the written request of the department head, the County Administrator, or his designated representative, is hereby authorized to effect transfers between line items.

On January 26, 2016, Lexington County Council approved the Lexington County Financial Management Practices, also known as the Fiscal Policies. These policies are used as a guide for financial management practices and procedures. The policies will be reviewed on an annual or as needed basis to make sure that they stay current.

**SECTION 7 - LINE ITEM CARRYOVERS**

Any line items previously appropriated and/or properly encumbered as of June 30, 2022 shall be carried forward as an appropriation of fiscal year 2022-2023 upon the recommendation of the County Administrator, and by passage of a budgetary amendment resolution by County Council.

**SECTION 8 - NEW GRANTS**

Grant funds applied for or received after the budget year, and therefore not stated in this budget ordinance, shall, by passage of a budgetary amendment resolution by County Council authorizing the acceptance of the grant and its appropriations, be accounted for in appropriate special revenues funds. The specific grant provisions shall direct the manner of expenditure of these funds.

**SECTION 9 - OTHER MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS**

Revenues other than those originally budgeted may be expended as directed by their respective revenue source after they are accepted and appropriated by the County Council by passage of the budgetary amendment resolution. Such funds include, but are not limited to, contributions, donations, special events, insurance and similar recoveries. These funds may be appropriated for any costs or overruns or new projects upon approval of County Council.

**SECTION 10 - LINE OF CREDIT AUTHORIZATION**

From time to time it may be necessary for the administration of the County (or any other agency for which the County levies taxes) to borrow in anticipation of tax revenues to guarantee continuity in regular operations. To provide for such contingencies, the administration of the county (or the respective agencies) is hereby authorized to borrow in anticipation of ad valorem tax collections. Such authorization may only be exercised upon certification of need by both the County Treasurer and the Chief Financial Officer (or the CEO of the agency) and any amount borrowed must be obtained at the lowest possible interest rate and repaid as quickly as practical.

**SECTION 11** - All appropriations, except those appropriations required by law, are subject to the availability of funds.

**SECTION 12 - SEVERABILITY**

If for any reason any provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

If for any reason any provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2022.

Enacted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Scott Whetstone, Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Brittany M. Shumpert, Clerk

First Reading: April 26, 2022 by Title Only

Public Hearing: June 7, 2022

Second Reading: June 7, 2022

Third & Final Reading: [June 21, 2022]

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