

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY COUNCIL FOR FAIRFIELD COUNTY
ORDINANCE NO. 637**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FAIRFIELD COUNTY TO PURCHASE LAND
KNOWN AS RUFUS BELTON PARK FOR RECREATIONAL USES AND LOCATION
OF EMERGENCY PERSONNEL AND SERVICES, BEING A PORTION OF
FAIRFIELD COUNTY TAX MAP NUMBER 152-00-00-037.**

WHEREAS, Fairfield County has leased Rufus Belton Park located on Longtown Road in the Ridgeway area for a number of years, utilizing the park for recreational events for the children and citizens of Fairfield County and also using it to place emergency personnel on the site;

WHEREAS, based on the long term lease status previously entered into with the landlord, Fairfield County has improved the park for uses and needs identified above;

WHEREAS, the area comprising the site has recently become available for purchase and the Fairfield County Council finds that the opportunity to purchase the property outright will allow the County to continue to permanently provide recreational opportunities for Fairfield County citizens and maintain a location that will provide emergency services for residents of the Ridgeway area;

WHEREAS, the Fairfield County Council finds that the purchase and continued utilization of this property for the purposes stated above represents an important and necessary governmental function.

THEREFORE, THE FAIRFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL ORDAINS:

Section 1. The Fairfield County Council intends to:

(A) Negotiate and consummate in good faith with the owner of the property the purchase of the property known as Rufus Belton Park;

(B) Take all steps reasonably necessary and proper to purchase and continue the development of the property known as Rufus Belton for the citizens of the Ridgeway area and Fairfield County

as a whole;

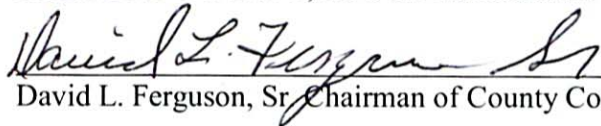
(C) Place a suitable marker on the property that will commemorate the generous allowance of Rufus Belton and his family of the property that has over the years become an important and vital part of Fairfield County's effort to provide quality recreational facilities for its youth and citizens.

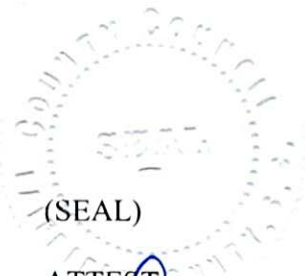
Section 2. The Interim County Administrator (or his designated appointee(s)) is authorized and directed, in the name of and on behalf of Fairfield County, to take whatever further actions and execute whatever further documents, including purchase-sale agreements or other similar agreements, as the Interim County Administrator (or his designated appointee(s)) deems to be reasonably necessary and prudent to effect the intent of this Ordinance, assist in purchasing the real property, and provide for the financing.

Section 3. Any ordinance, resolution or other order of the Fairfield County Council, the terms of which are in conflict with this Ordinance, is, only to extent of that conflict, repealed.

Section 4. This Ordinance is effective after three readings and a public hearing.

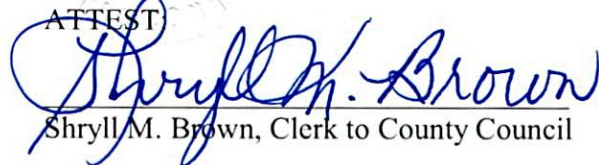
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA


David L. Ferguson, Sr. Chairman of County Council



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ATTEST


Shryll M. Brown, Clerk to County Council

READINGS:

First Reading: June 23, 2014
Second Reading: July 14, 2014
Public Hearing: July 28, 2014
Third Reading: July 28, 2014