

Darlington County Council Agenda Item Form

Agenda Item No. 2026-226-DCC

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Meeting Date: May 4, 2026



SUBJECT:

Ordinance No. 25-20, An Ordinance Authorizing Darlington County To Accept Ownership And Responsibility Of Property Through The Buyout Program With South Carolina Office Of Resilience (SCOR), Group 5 - SECOND READING

CURRENT STATUS:

As stated in the ordinance, Darlington County has a proposed flood mitigation project called the Darlington County Buyout Project. The South Carolina Office of Resilience (SCOR) and Darlington County are acting in accordance with a Darlington County application for a Community Block Grant for Mitigation (CDBG-MIT), and a Grant Agreement executed November 21, 2022.

The Buyout Project is funded by a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development CDBG-MIT for the purpose of Darlington County acquiring property from voluntary participating residential homeowners who are located in a floodplain, and/or have suffered damages due to flooding during 2015, 2016, or 2018 Presidentially-declared disasters and/or located in a program defined Disaster Risk Reduction Area.

Darlington County anticipates receiving ownership of the properties at no cost to Darlington County, but Darlington County will be perpetually responsible for the maintenance of the properties. The properties will be returned to green space in perpetuity through restrictive covenants. Representatives for the SCOR and the voluntarily participating residential homeowners have negotiated the Contract(s) for Sale of Real Estate.

POINTS TO CONSIDER:

Darlington County anticipates receiving ownership of approximately forty parcels of real property. Group 5 parcel is identified in the Ordinance.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

OPTION:

RECOMMENDATION:

Council's consideration of Ordinance No. 25-20.

ATTACHMENTS (Relevant Documentation):

[Ord 25-20, Accept Ownership, SCOR Buyout, Group 5.docx](#)

[Wensink Contract for Darlington Co Signature.pdf](#)