

# Central Midlands Council of Governments

## Board Meeting

Thursday, June 1st, 2023



Call to Order

*Foster Senn, Chair*

Determination of Quorum

Approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda

Invocation

Introduction of Guests

Good News from CMCOG,  
Around the Region, and Regional Spotlight

*Foster Senn  
Rebecca Vance*

# In Memoriam



**Irmo Firefighter  
James Michael Muller**





## The Dales Biergarten and Bottle Shoppe opens in Springdale

May 30, 2023 | [admin](#) | [No Comments](#) | [NEWS](#), [Social Media](#)

The Dales Biergarten and Bottle Shoppe has opened at 3150 Platt Spring Road in Springdale. It opened on May 20, as a local gathering spot to enjoy fellowship, great craft beer and local food truck options. There is indoor and outdoor seating.

The Dales sells craft beer by the pour or in the can brought in from micro-breweries from all over the state and from all over the country. The Dales also sells domestic beer.

The Dales Biergarten and Bottle Shoppe is located in the Historic Springdale House. The house has been used as a



# Good News Around the Region



# Good News Around the Region

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## New restaurants, businesses coming to southeast Columbia

Franchisees tell News 19 the first Dave's Hot Chicken in the state will open on June 16 on Devine Street.



Author: Rachel Ripp  
Published: 10:40 PM EDT May 26, 2023  
Updated: 10:16 AM EDT May 27, 2023



COLUMBIA, S.C. — Parts of Columbia are undergoing a transformation with new developments, relocations, and closures, including a veterinarian clinic, a Mexican restaurant's move, and a hot chicken chain debut, while questions arise about a building on Beltline Boulevard.

Residents will notice a lot of construction activity and new developments driving down Garners Ferry Road toward [Cross Hill Market](#) in Columbia.

They'll also hear construction equipment powered up and on the move at Fort Jackson Boulevard as the complex behind Cross Hill Market comes alive.

"Shortly after they left, construction started and we have a building next door now, so it's been going very quick," Brandee Langley said.

Langley owns the hair studio next door.

According to the [Veterinary Emergency Group](#) in Charlotte, a new veterinarian clinic is on its way to Columbia.

"They're working very diligently over there. Even in the rain," Langley said.

As previously reported in March, the Mexican restaurant [Moctezuma](#), which used to be on Fort Jackson Boulevard, will also relocate to the former [Lizard's Thicket](#) on Beltline Boulevard.

On Devine Street, [Smash Burger](#) closed its doors months ago, but will now be home to some Nashville-style [hot chicken](#) at, Dave's Hot Chicken, a popular chain making its South Carolina debut. The CEO of [MPZ Holdings](#), the franchise-holding company, is Kal Gullapalli.

"You'll see there's lines out the door every single time corporate opens one of these locations up and we see no difference with Columbia because we're already getting tremendous amount of inquiries about when are we going to open, when are we going to open and we're super excited to finally open," Gullapalli said.

They're aiming for an opening date of June 16.

From hot chicken on Devine toward Beltline, at the intersection of Beltline and Devine, is a building with a sign in the window with a stop work notice. It reads there's no permit for install of hood or cooking appliances. The document displayed was issued in January of this year.



## Winnsboro Water, Joint Water Authority receive \$20M in grants

 April 27, 2023 By Barbara Ball  [Leave a Comment](#)

WINNSBORO – The S.C. Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) announced Monday that it awarded grants for \$10 million each to the Town of Winnsboro and the Fairfield Joint Water and Sewer System (FJWSS).

The Town's \$10 million will go toward upgrading and expanding its water system. The FJWSS's \$10 million will be used to construct an interconnector sewer line between the Winnsboro plant and potential industrial properties on Peach Road, according to Jason Taylor, Winnsboro Manager.

The \$20 million awarded to the Town and the FJWSS is part of \$1.369 billion in grant funding awarded to communities across the state to assist with improvements for clean drinking water, sanitary sewer and storm water resilience. The funds are being awarded via 216 grants to local governments and public water and sewer utilities across South Carolina.

"This is good news for Winnsboro," Winnsboro Mayor John McMeekin said. "It will give the Town the ability to modernize our water plant and maximize our capacity."

"We have access to water from the Broad River, but we are almost out of capacity to treat it and sometimes have to rely on Columbia water, which is already treated, to supply our Blythewood customers. With this grant, we'll be able to process all the water we need and no longer be dependent on Columbia water during emergencies." McMeekin said.

This is the first upgrade to the Winnsboro plant since 1982, according to Town officials.

"It's hard to overstate how important this grant money is," Taylor said. "It creates water capacity for us. It opens up territory for sewer and provides access to our existing capacity at our sewer plant."

"Infrastructure is foundational to growth," Taylor said. "Winnsboro has only about 500,000 gallons per day of water capacity left. This grant money will give

gallons of capacity, allowing us to serve and promote growth in the town and county," he said. "We desperately needed this money to reverse our population losses. It will open up a lot of territory to us and improve the value of our properties."

### Interconnector Line

Taylor said the interconnector line would create a connection between the existing Winnsboro treatment facility and the potential industrial territory on Peach Road that has water but no access to sewer.



Good News  
Around the  
Region

# 'I'm just one of them lucky ones': 106-year-old recognized as oldest veteran in South Carolina

Buddy Kunkle Sr. served for 3 years in World War II.



Author: Walker Lawson

Published: 9:27 PM EDT May 22, 2023

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COLUMBIA, S.C. — At 106 years old, Buddy Kunkle Sr. can share the stories of his younger days as an Army veteran.

He was just recognized last week by South Carolina Governor Henry McMaster along with county & state Veteran Affairs offices.

"I wanted to go," says Kunkle Jr. when reflecting on his desire to serve.

Good News  
Around the  
Region

# **ACTION**

## Consent Agenda Items

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting – 27 April 2023 (*Enclosure 1*)



# **ACTION**

## Regular Agenda Items

1. Quarterly Financial Status Report (thru 31 March 2023) *(Enclosure 2)*
2. Briefing on Financial and Compliance Report for FY 2022 *(Enclosure 3)*
3. \* CMCOG Authorization of Section 5307 Funds *(Enclosure 4)*
4. \* CMCOG Authorization of Section 5339 Funds *(Enclosure 5)*
5. \* Three Rivers Bike Share Expansion Feasibility Study *(Enclosure 6)*
6. Election of New CMCOG Officers
7. \*\*Executive Session\*\* New Executive Director Search

*\* Denotes item is a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Urbanized Area Request*

**ACTION**

**Quarterly Financial Status Report  
(thru 31 March 2023)**

*(Enclosure 2)*

*Missi Labbe,  
Finance Director*

**ACTION**

# Briefing on Financial and Compliance Report for FY 2022

*(Enclosure 3)*

*Michael Slapnik,  
CPA – Scott and Company*



# ACTION

## CMCOG Authorization of Section 5307 Funds

*(Enclosure 4)*

*Reginald Simmons,  
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*

## **SECTION 5307 FUNDS**

Staff requests approval to transfer the following amounts of FY 2022 FTA Section 5307 funds.

\$7,143,850 to CMRTA

# SECTION 5307 FUNDS



CMCOG is the designated recipient of FTA Section 5307 funds.



Under the FAST Act & the IIJA the Section 5307 Program is inclusive of the Large Urban Program Funds and the Job Access & Reverse Commute Funds



Through our Memorandum of Understanding with with our transit providers, each year CMCOG determines the amount each provider will receive.



For FY 2022, CMCOG will use existing funding for planning purposes. The remaining amount will be provided to CMRTA.



# SECTION 5307 FUNDS

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Section 5307 Grant Program provides funding for administration, capital, operating assistance, and planning.

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In FY 2022, CMCOG received a total of \$7,143,850.

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As a direct recipient of federal funds, the public transit provider can apply directly to FTA.

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The required match is 20% except for operating assistance which requires a 50/50 match.

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## SECTION 5307 FUNDS

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CMCOG has included a split letter in the agenda packet that describes this funding allocation

# SECTION 5307 FUNDS

In FY 2022 CMCOG received = \$7,143,850



SWRTA is not requesting any funding



Transfer to CMRTA = \$7,143,850



Questions



# ACTION

## CMCOG Authorization of Section 5339 Funds

*(Enclosure 5)*

*Reginald Simmons,  
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*

# **SECTION 5339 FUNDS**

- Staff requests approval to transfer the following amounts of FY 2022 FTA Section 5339 funds.
  - **FY 2022 - \$568,918 to CMRTA**

## **SECTION 5339 FUNDS**

- The CMCOG is the designated recipient for the Columbia Urbanized Area.
- As the designated recipient, we are responsible for coordinating federal grant programs to assist in improving the urban transit system.
- These programs include Sections 5310, 5307, 5339.



## **SECTION 5339 FUNDS**

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Section 5339 Grant Program provides funding to replace, rehab, and purchase bus and bus related facilities.

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Question

**ACTION**

**Three Rivers Bike Share  
Expansion Feasibility Study**

*(Enclosure 6)*

*Reginald Simmons,  
Deputy Executive Director / Director - Transportation*







# Study Purpose

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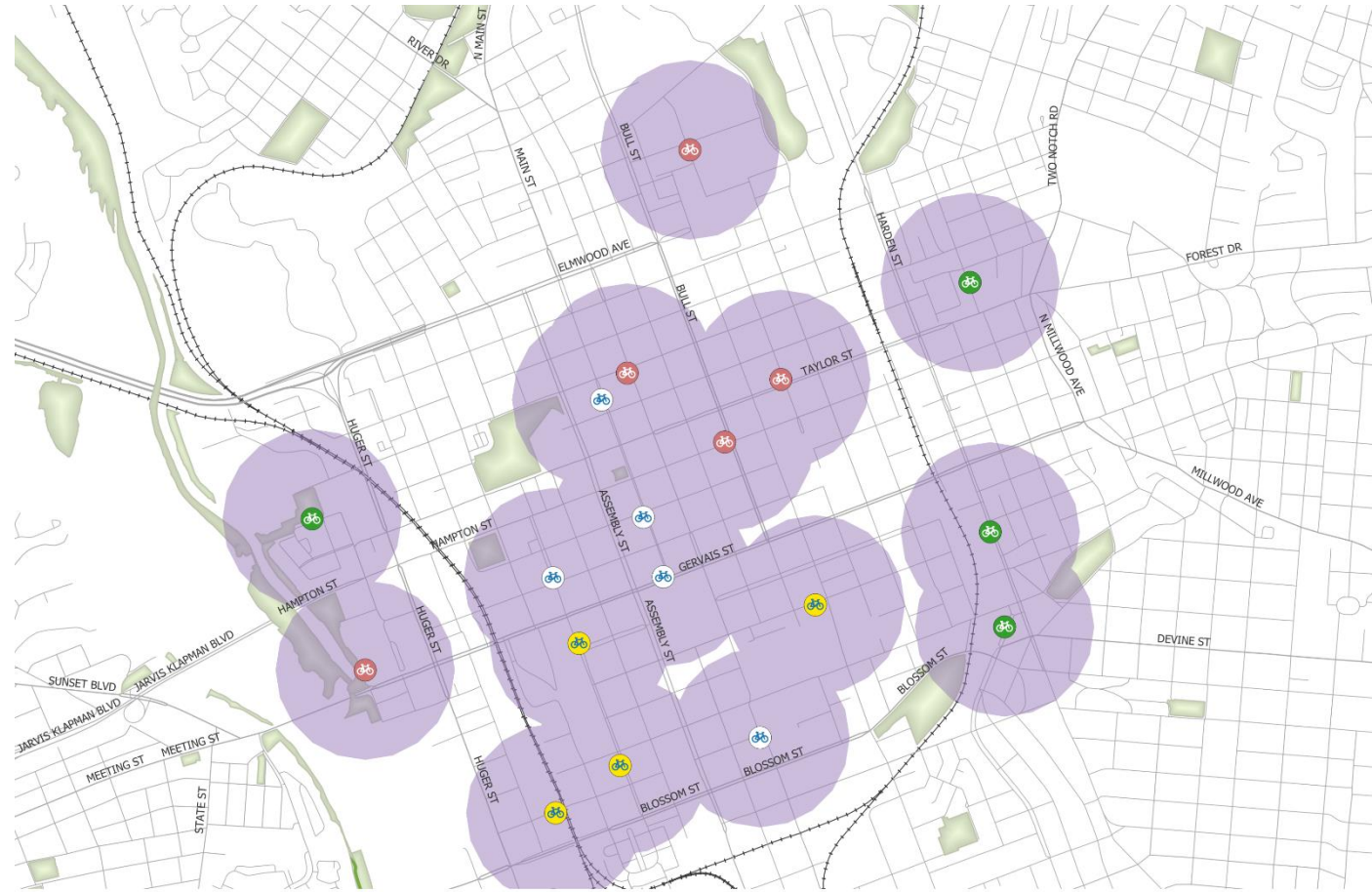
- Review of existing bike share network and operations
- Review of expansion options within City of Columbia
- Review of expansion options within:
  - City of Cayce
  - City of West Columbia
  - Town of Springdale



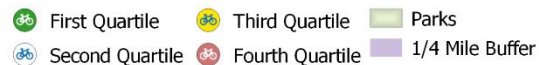


# System Analysis & Recommendations

- Existing System
- Local Context
- Network Development
- Regional Coordination
- Early Action Project Recommendations



Performance of Existing Station

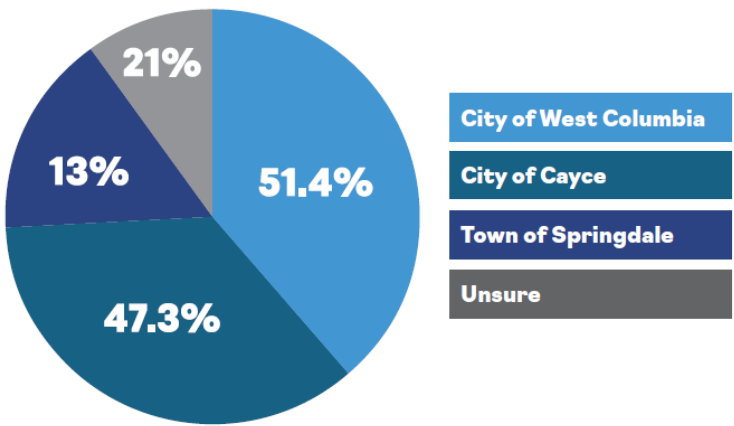


# Public & Stakeholder Engagement

## BY THE NUMBERS



Would you use bike share in any of the following communities?



Performance Measure		Data Source	Baseline (2022)
Goal #1: Increase Overall Ridership			
1A	Total Annual Ridership	From Operator	12,314
1B	Average Trips per Bike per Day	From Operator	0.25
Goal #2: Expand Coverage to New Areas			
2A	Total Service Area	GIS Analysis	2.6 sq. mi.
2B	Percentage in Equity-Emphasis Census Tracts	GIS Analysis	73% (1.9 sq. mi.)
Goal #3: Increase Share of Trips for Transportation			
3A	Percentage of One-Way Trips	Analyzed Trip Data from Operator	40%
3B	Percentage of Trips with Duration 0-15 Minutes	Analyzed Trip Data from Operator	32%

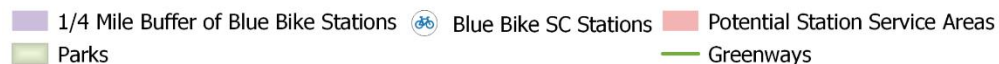
# Expansion Scenarios

## Objectives

- Contiguous expansion areas
- Relocate underutilized docks and stations
- Transition to a 100% pedelec bike fleet



Existing and Proposed Blue Bike SC Zones





# Financial Planning

- Capital Costs
- Operating Costs
- Cost Reductions
- Projected Revenues
- Public/Private Funding
- Sponsorship and Advertising

**Table 13:** Capital Costs for Potential Expansion Scenarios

Expansion Scenario	Capital	Capital Replacement (5 Year Total)
Expansion in Columbia with No Optimization	\$244,780	\$108,200
Expansion in Columbia with Optimization	\$116,240	\$108,200
Expansion in West Metro (Combined)	\$223,520	Not Applicable
<i>West Columbia</i>	\$176,770	Not Applicable
<i>Cayce</i>	\$46,750	Not Applicable

**Table 14:** Operating Costs for Potential Expansion Scenarios

Expansion Scenario	Operating Cost (Annual)	Operating Cost (5 Year Total)
Expansion in Columbia with No Optimization	\$85,260	\$452,660
Expansion in Columbia with Optimization	\$38,220	\$202,920
Expansion in West Metro (Combined)	\$82,320	\$437,050
<i>West Columbia</i>	\$64,680	\$343,400
<i>Cayce</i>	\$17,640	\$93,650



# Thank you!



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# ACTION

## Election of New CMCOG Officers

*Foster Senn,  
CMCOG Board Chair*

**ACTION**

**\*\*Executive Session\*\***

**New Executive Director Search**

*Foster Senn,  
CMCOG Board Chair*



# INFORMATION

## Executive Director's Report

*Rebecca Vance,  
Interim Executive Director*



## Thank you, Midlands Technical College!!

- Special Thanks to Midlands Technical College for hosting the CMCOG Board Meetings!
- Upcoming Meeting Locations:
- June 22– MTC Harbison Campus

**Old/New Business**

**Other Business**

**Next Meeting – 22 June 2023**

**Adjourn**