

# The Lancaster News

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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024 LANCASTER COUNTY BUDGET

The County of Lancaster will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 6:00pm in County Council Chambers, County Office Building, 101 N. Main St., 2nd floor, Lancaster, SC, for the purpose of obtaining written and oral comments from the public concerning the adoption of Ordinance 2023-1849 establishing the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 County Budget. Public comments may be made in person at the hearing or submitted in written format to be provided to County Council at the public hearing. Comments made in person or in writing should be limited to three (3) minutes in duration if read aloud. Written comments may be submitted either by online submission by selecting the "public hearing comments" quick link located on the county website homepage (<https://www.mylancaster.org/>), by email to [ssimpson@lancaster.org](mailto:ssimpson@lancaster.org), or by mail addressed to Clerk to Council at Post Office Box 1809, Lancaster, SC 29721 with the Ordinance number or other appropriate identifier clearly referenced in the communication. At the public hearing and any adjournment of it, all interested persons may be heard either in person or by their designee or by submission of written comments.

Section 6-1-320(A)(1) of the S. C. Code of Laws, as amended, Notwithstanding Section 12-37-251(E), limits the increase in the millage rate imposed for general operating purposes above the rate imposed for such purposes for the preceding tax year to the extent of the increase in the average of the twelve monthly consumer price indexes for the most recent twelve month period consisting of January through December of the preceding calendar year, plus the percentage increase in the population of the entity as determined by the Office of Research and Statistics of the State Budget and Control Board. However, in the year in which a reassessment program is implemented, the rollback millage, as calculated pursuant to Section 12-37-251(E), must be used in lieu of the previous year's millage rate. The limitation for Fiscal Year 2024 is 12.04%. Also pursuant to Section 6-1-320(A)(2), There may be added to the operating millage increase allowed pursuant to item (1) of this subsection any such increase, allowed but not previously imposed, for the three property tax years preceding the year to which the current limit applies.

The current and proposed County Budget & millage information for operations is as follows (subject to change by final reading):

2023-2024 projected revenues & expenditures  
2022-2023 original budget revenues & expenditures  
Estimated changes in budget amounts between current FY and proposed budget:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	
Revenue	Expenditures
\$84,663,323	\$84,663,323
\$75,987,386	\$75,987,386
	11%

2023-2024 projected revenues & expenditures  
2022-2023 original budget revenues & expenditures  
Estimated changes in budget amounts between current FY and proposed budget:

OTHER COUNTY FUNDS	
Revenue	Expenditures
\$46,922,505	\$46,922,505
\$48,317,386	\$48,317,386
	-3%

Estimated Millage for FY 2023-2024 OPERATING BUDGET 88.60  
Millage for FY 2022-2023 OPERATING BUDGET 94.60  
Difference between FY23 and FY24 4.00

Capital Improvement millage FY 2023-2024 5.30  
Capital improvement millage FY 2022-2023 4.80  
Difference between FY23 and FY24 .50

SPECIAL MILLAGE  
Courthouse- Security FY 2023-2024 3.80  
Courthouse- Security FY 2022-2023 3.60  
Difference between FY23 and FY24 .20

Estimated Debt Service millage FY 2023-2024 6.90  
Debt Service millage FY 2022-2023 9.60  
Difference between FY23 and FY24 -2.70

USC-L millage FY 2023-2024 4.60  
USC-L millage FY 2022-2023 4.60  
Difference between FY23 and FY24 .00

County Mill Value FY 2023-2024 \$480,515  
County Mill Value FY 2022-2023 \$455,297

Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor FY 2024 .000866  
Local Option Sales Tax Credit Factor FY 2023 .000784

At the time and place fixed for said public hearing, all interested persons who appear will be given an opportunity to express their views for or against this ordinance. Persons requiring special arrangements to attend this meeting due to a physical disability should contact the Administrator's office at 285-1565 at least 24 hours in advance.  
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Subscribed to before me this 1st day of

June, 2023

*Ashley L Johnson*

Notary Public for South Carolina

My Commission Expires: 01/20/2027

Newspaper Rep Signature

*Kristi Ross*

