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Greenbelt Groups Meet May 5 and 7

Greenbelt Urban Grants Review Committee Meets Tuesday, May 5 at 3 p.m.

[Charleston County's Greenbelt Urban Grants Review Committee](#) for the [Transportation Sales Tax](#) will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5. The meeting is open to the public, and will be held at the Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission Headquarters (861 Riverland Drive, next to the James Island County Park).

The [Charleston County Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan](#) established the Urban Grant Review Committee to assist the [Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission](#) in evaluating applications submitted to the Urban Grants Program. The Urban Grant Review Committee comprises two Greenbelt Advisory Board members, two Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission staff and two Charleston County staff.

At the May 5 meeting, the committee will review urban applications received during the March 31 funding cycle and will make recommendations to Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission.

The current [Urban Grant Review Committee](#) members are:

- Thomas Johnson, Greenbelt Advisory Board member
- Jeremy Read, Greenbelt Advisory Board member
- Julie Hensley, Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission staff
- Cynthia Montague, Charleston County Park and Recreation Commission staff
- Regina Keene, Charleston County staff
- Cathy Ruff, Charleston County staff

Greenbelt Bank Board Meets Thursday, May 7 at 9 a.m.

[Charleston County's Greenbelt Bank Board](#) for the [Transportation Sales Tax](#) will meet at 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 7. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in County Council's Committee Room on the second floor of the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Service Building (4045 Bridge View Drive off Leeds Avenue in North Charleston).

The Greenbelt Bank Board was established by [Charleston County Council](#) to address the loss of greenspace and promote balanced growth throughout the county. The Greenbelt Bank will administer the greenbelt project's [Rural Grants Program](#) as outlined in the [Charleston County Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan](#). The Greenbelt Bank Board comprises nine members appointed by Charleston County Council.

At the May 7 meeting, the board will review rural applications received during the March 31 funding cycle and make recommendations to Charleston County Council.

The current [Greenbelt Advisory Board](#) members are:

- Chair: Hugh Lane
- Vice Chair: T. Heyward Carter
- Margaret Blackmer
- George John Bullwinkle
- Thomas D. Bulwinkle
- Edwin Cooper
- Wilburn Johnson
- Charles E. Salmonsens
- John Templeton

Citizens can see pictures of the greenbelt projects online at www.smallchangeformbigchange.org.

Call Cathy L. Ruff at (843) 202-7204 for more information about the upcoming meetings, or visit the Transportation Sales Tax Web site at www.smallchangeformbigchange.org to review the [Comprehensive Greenbelt Plan](#), learn about greenbelt initiatives, and find out about upcoming meeting dates.