

**DAUFUSKIE ISLAND COUNCIL
RESOLUTION**

To Suspend action:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DAUFUSKIE ISLAND COUNCIL REQUESTING
BEAUFORT COUNTY TO CEASE CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS ON
PROSPECT ROAD AND TO COLLABORATE ON A COMPREHENSIVE ISLAND-
WIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Daufuskie Island Council is a representative body formed to advocate for the needs, interests, and welfare of all residents and property owners of Daufuskie Island; and

WHEREAS, Prospect Road is a historically and culturally significant corridor on Daufuskie Island that runs through protected lands, family-owned properties, and environmentally sensitive areas; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort County has initiated or considered condemnation proceedings related to Prospect Road without adequate input from the Daufuskie Island community or consideration of broader island-wide impacts; and

WHEREAS, Daufuskie Island faces significant logistical challenges related to transportation, emergency access, and economic sustainability due to its geographic isolation and limited infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the island currently lacks a master-planned, community-supported transportation framework that includes roads, pedestrian access, ferry systems, and barge landing infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, opportunities for improved barge access, including new or enhanced barge landing sites, must be coordinated thoughtfully to support both residential needs and economic development without disrupting sensitive cultural or natural areas; and

WHEREAS, public and private partnerships should be investigated; and

WHEREAS, the Daufuskie Island Council believes that collaborative planning, rather than piecemeal condemnation or isolated infrastructure actions, is essential to preserving the island's character while ensuring long-term accessibility and resilience.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Daufuskie Island Council, in a duly called meeting and by unanimous vote, that:

1. **Beaufort County is hereby formally requested to immediately cease and desist all condemnation proceedings related to Prospect Road**, and to pause any further legal or administrative action on this matter. In order to provide time for long term planning to occur.
2. **The Daufuskie Island Council invites Beaufort County to work in partnership with the Council and community stakeholders to develop a comprehensive, island-wide transportation master plan**, with specific attention to:
 - Coordinated road improvement and maintenance strategies;
 - Environmentally and culturally appropriate barge landing locations;
 - Access and emergency service reliability;
 - Economic and logistical support for island residents and businesses.
3. **The Daufuskie Island Council is prepared to form a working group**, including transportation experts, landowners, and relevant agencies, to assist in the creation of this plan and recommends the County allocate resources accordingly.
4. **County to provide logistical/planning support from transportation staff.**

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025, by the unanimous vote of the Daufuskie Island Council.

ATTEST:

[Name], Chair
Daufuskie Island Council

[Name], Secretary
Daufuskie Island Council