

# **Legislative Policy Council**

Minutes of the Meeting - MBACC Boardroom October 21, 2016 – 9:00 AM

Present: Tony Cox, David Nelson, Mike Hagg, Sally Howard, Mary Henry, Raymond Rollins, Mike Hill,

George Mims, Nate Johnson, Tom Keegan, Jimmy Richardson

Guests: Mark Harmon, Mary McDowell, Mike Shelton

Staff: Brad Dean, Kathy Richardson

## I. WELCOME

• Tony Cox called the meeting to order. The August 19, 2016 meeting minutes were approved.

#### II. PRESENTATIONS

- Mark Harmon presented a grassroots update and discussed 2017 Legislative initiatives and grassroots efforts on behalf of the SC Chamber of Commerce. Mark discussed their efforts related to infrastructure, workforce development and business licensing. He also discussed legislative successes in 2016 involving DOT reform, farm aid funding, shortened legislative session, tax relief for military retirees, ethics reform & work-ready communities. Mark requested input from the LPC on issues important to the Grand Strand that should be addressed in 2017.
- Brad Dean provided an update on the Ride 3 campaign which will kick off on October 24th. Nate Johnson discussed the Realtors Association's role in the Ride 3 campaign as well.
- Brad Dean discussed the City of North Myrtle Beach's proposed Municipal Capital Projects
  Tax Act which would create a tourism-related capital improvements fund.
- Brad Dean discussed results of the 2016 Public Policy survey and reviewed the slate of 2017
   Legislative Priorities. Sally Howard discussed her concerns regarding seismic testing.

## III. REPORTS

None given

# IV. NEW BUSINESS

None given

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

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