

Partnership With The Pickens Innovation Center

WHEREAS, the Pickens Revitalization Association, in partnership with the City of Pickens and Clemson University, is launching the Pickens Innovation Center (PIC), a technology incubator; and

WHEREAS, the Pickens Innovation Center represents a collaborative open center that appreciates entrepreneurs and celebrates new ideas. The Center will provide a starting point for businesses for periods of six months to two years, graduating them from the program once they are established; and

WHEREAS, Pickens Innovation Center has received grants of \$60,000 from the Duke Energy Foundation, \$50,000 from the South Carolina Department of Commerce Office of Innovation and \$5,000 from Blue Ridge Electric Coop. In addition, the Center is supported by local industry partners and the City of Pickens; and,

WHEREAS, Pickens Innovation Center will hire a Director and provide fulltime benefits. The City of Pickens can assist by allowing the Director to be a City employee for payroll, benefit and insurance purposes with reimbursement of expenses being made by the Pickens Revitalization Association/Pickens Innovation Center. The management and supervision of the Director will be performed by the Pickens Revitalization Association/Pickens Innovation Center Board

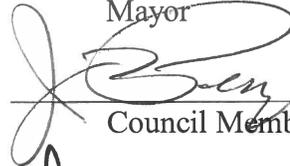
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, The City of Pickens will allow the Director to be a City employee for payroll, benefit and insurance purposes with reimbursement of expenses being made by the Pickens Revitalization Association/Pickens Innovation Center. The City Administrator will be responsible for managing the reimbursement to the City.

Resolution 2015-03 Partnership With The Pickens Innovation Center

SIGNED, SEALED AND ADOPTED BY City Council this 1st day of June, 2015.



Mayor



Council Member



Council Member



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ATTEST:



Brittany Chapman, Clerk to Council