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AGENDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 05, 2026– 6:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
   - A. INVOCATION
   - B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
   - C. ROLL CALL

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
   - A. SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 - REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
   - B. SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 - SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

3. **COMMUNICATIONS:**
   - A. MAYOR'S REPORT
   - B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS
   - C. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
     1. CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING
     2. FIRE
     3. POLICE
     4. PUBLIC WORKS
     5. RECREATION

4. **BUSINESS:**
   - **A. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 08-26: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE LATEST EDITIONS OF THE BUILDING CODES AS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODES COUNCIL.**

B. **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LORIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REQUEST FOR FUNDS.**

C. **DISCUSS AND SET TRICK OR TREAT HOURS FOR HALLOWEEN.**

5. **PUBLIC & PRESS COMMENTS:**

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
   A. PERSONNEL MATTERS
   B. CONTRACTUAL MATTERS
   C. LEGAL MATTERS

7. **ADJOURNMENT:**

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http://www.youtube.com/@cityofloriscouncilmeetings6232

MINUTES OF
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
LORIS CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	**MAYOR**	**MICHAEL E. SUGGS**
	COUNCIL	**ANDREA L. COLEMAN**
		JOAN S. GAUSE
		LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR.
		CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR.
		TONYA F. SYKES
ABSENT:		**KELLI D. GERALD**
PRESENT:	**INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR**	**ANGEL R NEIGHBOURS**
	CLERK	**MELINDA T. PRICE**
	ATTORNEY	**JOHN C. ZILINSKY**

CALL TO ORDER:
The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 14, 2026.

INVOCATION:
The invocation was given by Councilman Padgett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Suggs.

ROLL CALL:
The roll was called by Clerk Price.
Councilwoman Kelli D. Gerald was unable to attend the meeting due to an illness.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. AUGUST 03, 2026 – REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of August 3, 2026, regular city council meeting were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Hardee, seconded by Councilwoman Sykes, to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2026, regular city council meeting. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Suggs reported the following:

Mayor Suggs began by saying he hoped everyone had a good Labor Day weekend.

Mayor Suggs and Council members Sykes and Padgett attended the Small Cities Summit held in Columbia on August 12th which was presented by the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The one-day event was very informative and focused on procurement, ethics, and municipal finances. Also, there were presentations by several state and federal agencies that highlighted the services available to municipalities in South Carolina.

State drought officials met on September 8th. Horry County is still classified as being in a state of severe drought. Therefore, state mandated water conservation procedures continue in effect until further notice.

Governor McMaster has proclaimed September as Preparedness Month in South Carolina, encouraging residents, families and communities to prepare so they will be ready when disaster strikes. The South Carolina's Emergency Preparedness Office encourages residents during the month of September to review their emergency plans and make sure their households are ready for potential disaster.

Thursday September 10th and Friday September 11th, 9/11, remembrance events were held in Loris. There were over 70 in attendance at the indoor ceremony on Thursday night which was a very well-done event. We would like to thank Kevin Braswell and Samantha Norris for organizing that event. Friday morning, the fire siren was sounded at the times each hijacked plane made impact on September 11, 2001. Mayor Suggs stated that he had received several comments from citizens who thought that was a very fitting way to remember the events of September 11, 2001.

Loris Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Samantha Norris wanted to thank everyone who attended the 9/11 ceremony and a special thank you to Kevin Braswell for helping organize the event. The Loris Legacy Awards will be held September 26th, 2026, starting at 6:00 p.m. with 12 or 13 awards being presented. Downtown Tuesday's will start up again October 6th, 2026, with that event being National Night Out. This event will be partnered with the Loris Police Department and the Loris Fire Department. Ms. Norris also wanted everyone to know that the Bog-Off is coming up October 17th, 2026, which will be the 47th annual consecutive event.

B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Neighbours reported that clean-up and reconditioning of property affected by the sewer line construction project is underway and scheduled to hopefully finish at the end of September or the beginning of October. Watson Park renovations are entering into phase 2 where we will be adding new playground equipment within the next few months. Ms. Neighbours stated that the beginning stage of our public safety training facility is underway. She has met with engineers, and they are working on the survey and layout which should be available in the next few weeks. Ms. Neighbours also reported that the upper Pleasant Meadow Basin drainage project should be starting by the end of the year utilizing our storm water grant funds, and we are looking forward to that taking place.

C. DEPARTMENT HEAD'S REPORTS:

1. CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING – Planning and Zoning Director Meredith Holmes stated that she had statistical reports for August which were provided to council. Ms. Holmes highlighted that the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals held their Fall joint training on September 1st here at City Hall, and another one will be taking place in the Spring. She also stated that she had been working with Ms. Neighbours on several projects as well.

2. FIRE – Fire Marshal Robert Rudelitch provided a written report for the agenda packet. Mr. Rudelitch made several announcements. The Fire Department did annual flow testing of all respiratory equipment. Fire Prevention Week will be held at the public safety building on Tuesday October 6th from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The Loris Fire Department Facebook page will be back up tomorrow for community risk reduction activities, public outreach, and emergency management. The Fire Department is going to try and participate in our annual Horry-Georgetown fire prevention program on Saturday at the County Courthouse.

3. POLICE – Police Chief Gary Buley provided his monthly report to council and reported that the Loris Police Department is again fully staffed. Chief Buley wanted to remind people that school is back in session so please slow down and be mindful of children and buses. The Chief informed council that the police department has received several questions asking what the department was doing early last Friday morning because there was a large police presence in the city. Chief Buley asked Lieutenant Williams to explain the events that resulted in the police presence

observed on Friday. Lt. Williams stated that over the last three months the department has been working to handle complaints about drug activity that they have received regarding primarily the Maple Street area. Multiple different operations have been conducted which yielded about 10 arrests. Officers executed five separate search warrants at different locations and made twelve separate cases and/or charges. Friday was the day that several search warrants were served. There were three firearms removed off the street. There also were 12 grams of Marijuana, almost 43 grams of Crack Cocaine, 4 grams of Heroin, 26 grams of Fentanyl, 188 grams of Methamphetamine, and almost 50 grams of Cocaine seized during the operation over the last three months. Lt. Williams also stated that the operation is not over and more arrests are likely.

4. **PUBLIC WORKS** – Administrator Neighbours stated that she had nothing to report.

5. **RECREATION** – Recreation Director Woody Hinson was not present at the meeting. A written report was provided in the agenda packet for council. Mayor Suggs summarized the written report.

Councilman Padgett wanted to take a moment on behalf of the City Council to thank the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Kevin Braswell for the 9/11 program held on Thursday night as well all the others that participated in the presentation.

BUSINESS:

A. RESOLUTION 08-26: A RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE CITY OF LORIS TO PROVIDING A LOCAL MATCH FOR A MUNCIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA PROBLEM SOLVER GRANT AND FOLLOWING ITS PROCUREMENT POLICY WHEN SECURING SERVICES AND PRODUCTS WITH GRANT FUNDS.

Mayor Suggs indicated that the Municipal Association of South Carolina each year awards grants in the amount of $25,000.00 for municipal projects as part of their Problem Solver Grant Program. To apply for a grant, the city must agree to a 5% match, which equals $1,250.00, and must pass a resolution committing itself to the 5% match if awarded a grant. The resolution must be submitted with the grant application. Mayor Suggs suggested applying for one of the grants to possibly use towards renovating the historic city jail building on Walnut Street. Councilwoman Coleman stated that she thought the resolution should be deferred and a committee meeting should be held for further discussion on what the grant would be used for before presenting it back to council for a vote. Councilman Padgett stated he thought they should go forward with the vote on the resolution tonight and hold a committee meeting for its purpose on a later date. A motion was made by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilwoman Gause to pass Resolution 08-26. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably except Councilwoman Coleman who opposed, Motioned Passed. (A Building and Grounds Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, September 16th).

B. RECEIVE UPDATE FROM ATTORNEY JOHN ZILINSKY REGARDING THE PROJECT TO RE-CODIFY THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES.

Attorney John Zilinsky informed council that Mayor Suggs had been working to collect the copies of ordinances necessary to begin the recodification process. This involves researching all city ordinances that were passed by council since the last codification of the city ordinances in 1995. Mr. Zilinsky stated that two companies had been contacted, expressed interest, and were being considered for the project. The current city code and all ordinances enacted by the city since 1995 will need to be sent to the companies to receive cost estimates to update and re-codify the city's code of ordinances. Mr. Zilinsky explained that the task is difficult and time-consuming. Mayor Suggs and City Clerk Price have located approximately 50 ordinances to send along with the existing ordinance book to the code companies. However, some ordinances from 2016 through 2023 are either not accounted for in the yearly records or, if available, they are not signed by council. This additional effort required by Ms. Price to search for the missing ordinances is slowing down the process of moving forward with the project, but it is moving forward.

PUBLIC AND PRESS COMMENTS:

Heather Mayes 4115 Duncan Street Loris SC expressed her concerns regarding business nuisance and property codes. Ms. Mayes stated that she was a co-owner of several of the properties in the downtown C1 business district in Loris. Ms. Mayes states that a nearby business is disrupting their business because of noise. Ms. Mayes stated that she also felt that taxpaying businesses are being targeted and harmed while non-compliant operations are allowed to disrupt the C1 district. Ms. Mayes is asking council to enforce the existing noise ordinance immediately and help protect the integrity of downtown.

Jerry Dalton 4115 Duncan Street Loris SC expressed his concerns regarding business nuisance and property codes. Mr. Dalton stated that he is the president of Dalton Pictures and that he owns multiple properties in the C1 district of Loris. Mr. Dalton has said that he is here to address the same issues as the previous speaker, however, he would like to add to that complaint. Mr. Dalton stated that it appears to be selective enforcement regarding the business located at 4116 Main Street. Mr. Dalton gave several examples that he had documented over the last seven months. Mr. Dalton stated that he has also experienced some issues with inspections and additional charges. He is requesting a refund of additional permit fees he had to pay totaling approximately $1,000.00 and intervention on the matters he has mentioned.

Candice Grella 3208 Main Street Loris SC. Ms. Grella stated that she wanted to thank the City of Loris for getting the parking spaces fixed on Main Street.

No members of the press were present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There were no matters to discuss in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gause, seconded by Councilman Hardee, to adjourn the regular city council meeting. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm.

ATTEST:

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MELINDA T. PRICE
CITY CLERK

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MINUTES OF
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
LORIS CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	**MAYOR**	**MICHAEL E. SUGGS**
	COUNCIL	**JOAN S. GAUSE**
		LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR.
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ABSENT:		**ANDREA L. COLEMAN**
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		TONYA F. SKYES
PRESENT:	**INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR**	**ANGEL R. NEIGHBOURS**
PRESENT:	**ATTORNEY**	**JOHN C. ZILINSKY**
ABSENT:	**CLERK**	**MELINDA T. PRICE**

CALL TO ORDER:
The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 6:00 pm on Monday, September 21, 2026.

INVOCATION:
The invocation was given by Councilwoman Gause.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Suggs.

ROLL CALL:
The roll was called by Planning and Zoning Director Meredith Holmes.
Councilwomen Coleman, Gerald and Sykes and Clerk Price were not present at the Special City Council Meeting.

Mayor Suggs explained the purpose of the special city council meeting was to receive the report from the building and grounds committee and possibly vote on any recommendations from the committee meeting held on September 16, 2026. Councilwoman Gause, the chairperson of the building and grounds committee, was called upon to report the results of that meeting. Ms. Gause reported that all members of the committee were present at the meeting and a Municipal Association of South Carolina Problem Solver Grant Application was the first item discussed. The grant amount available is $25,000.00, and the city would be required to match 5% of the total grant. The recommendation of the committee is to apply for the grant and use the funds to begin restoration of the old city jail to establish a small museum. The grant application must be submitted by 5:00pm on September 25, 2026.

Samantha Norris of the Loris Historical Society was present at the committee meeting and informed the committee that the existing portion of the old Loris Railroad Depot has been offered at no cost to the historical society by Mr. Lewis Horton. The depot is currently located on Mr. Horton's farm just outside the city limits on Red Bluff Road. The historical society is looking for a site within the city on which to locate the depot and for assistance with funding to cover the cost of moving the structure. The committee recommends assisting the historical society with this project.

BUSINESS:

A. CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

1. OLD LORIS RAILROAD DEPOT

Mayor Suggs explained that the Civitan Club had raised money years ago for the old depot museum project, but the project was unable to be completed. That money was turned over to the city by the Civitan Club to hold for the depot/museum project and was placed in a designated bank account where it remains. The amount in the designated account is $14,090.14. The request from the historical society is that money raised by the Civitan Club for the depot/museum project be used to move the old depot. A motion was made by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilman Hardee to move the depot for an amount up to $10,000 when a proper location has been found. Samantha Norris of the historical society was present, and Mayor Suggs asked if $10,000.00 was sufficient to pay the moving costs. Ms. Norris stated that the original cost estimate was $10,000.00 just to move to a location near the old high school campus. However, moving to a location further downtown will be more expensive because of the additional utility lines that will have to be dropped and the increased distance. She asked if council would consider making the entire $14,090.14 available towards the costs of relocating the old depot.

Councilman Padgett agreed and amended his motion to allow the actual amount of the moving costs not exceeding $14,090.14 be paid from the designated Civitan Club account after the old depot has been moved to its new location. Councilman Hardee agreed and seconded the amended motion. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. Motion Passed.

2. MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA PROBLEM SOLVER GRANT APPLICATION

Mayor Suggs stated that a resolution was approved at the regular city council meeting agreeing to match 5% of the total grant amount received. The maximum grant amount is $25,000.00 which, if awarded in full, will require a match of $1,250.00. The resolution had to be approved in advance and must be submitted with the grant application which is due by 5:00pm on Friday, September 25th. The determination of the designated grant project was deferred until after the building and grounds committee could meet and discuss the grant. The building and grounds committee did meet, and the recommendation of the committee, as presented by Councilwoman Gause, is to submit the grant application for the purpose of restoring the old jail building on Walnut Street and eventually establishing a small museum for the City of Loris. A motion was made by Councilwoman Gause, seconded by Councilman Hardee to submit the application for the old jail project. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. Motion Passed.

PUBLIC AND PRESS COMMENTS:

No one from the public signed up to speak and no one was present from the press. Mayor Suggs did give the members of the public in attendance an opportunity to speak if they wished to.

Samantha Norris announced that the Loris Legacy Banquet would be held Saturday September 26, 2026, and would like the Mayor and Council to attend. Cocktail hour will begin at 6:00 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm and awards banquet at 8:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Hardee, seconded by Councilwoman Gause to adjourn the special city council meeting. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 pm.

ATTEST:

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MELINDA T. PRICE
CITY CLERK

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MICHAEL E. SUGGS, MAYOR

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October 2026 City Council Report

Submitted – Robert Rudelitch

Calls – 118 Calls as of afternoon 30SEPT2026.

Roster – 26 members

Notable Activities September –

Fatal Civilian Fire inside city limits – Gaylan Street

SCBA Flow Testing of all SCBA's completed

Various Apparatus Repair items ongoing

FEMA FY2025 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Awarded

Upcoming –

Various CRR events in October / Fire Prevention Week

Oct 3rd – Joint Chief's Association County Court House

Oct 6th – Open House at PSB Evening

Oct 17th – Loris Bog Off with CRR Team

Various Apparatus Repairs

Volunteer Onboarding

LPD MONTLY CFS BY INCIDENT TYPE

8/29/2026 12:00:00 AM to 9/28/2026 11:59:59 PM

INCIDENT TYPE	QTY
Assaults	2
Fraud	3
Domestic	2
Loud Noise / Disturbance / Civil	12
Death Investigation - Nonviolent	0
Damage to Property	0
Burglary	0
Harassment	5
Assist other Agency	8
Animal Calls	7
Alarms	13
Psychiatric	4
Welfare Check	18
911 Hangup	11
Trespassing	9
Traffic Stop or Related	200
MVA	22
Suspicious Activity	31
Follow-ups or Supplementals	8
Keep the Peace	18
Threatening Suicide	0
Warrant Service Attempt	31
Larceny	7
Administrative calls	282
Drug Cases	0
TOTAL	**693**

ORDINANCE NO.: 08-26

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF HORRY)
CITY OF LORIS)

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE LATEST EDITIONS OF THE BUILDING CODES AS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODES COUNCIL

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Loris to adopt the most recent building codes in order to be more responsive to the needs of the public and is in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Loris; and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2025, the South Carolina Building Codes Council adopted the latest editions of the mandatory codes and appendices with modifications, as referenced in S.C. Code Ann. §6-9-50 (1976, as amended), to be enforced by all municipalities and counties in South Carolina.

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate proper inspection activities by the City of Loris relating to construction and maintenance of buildings within the boundaries of said city and relating to the public safety, health, and general welfare, the latest edition of the following codes is hereby adopted by the State of South Carolina reference as though they were copied herein fully.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Loris City Council, in session duly assembled, that the City of Loris Building Code is amended to adopt and incorporate by reference as if fully set out in this ordinance, the documents stipulated in Section 1, for use and enforcement within the jurisdiction of the City of Loris. Those documents shall be known and referred to collectively as "the building codes".

SECTION 1. BUILDING CODES ADOPTED

(A) 2024 International Building Code (IBC) with SC Modifications – including Chapter 1 Scope & Administration; Appendices A & H

(B) 2024 International Residential Code (IRC) with SC Modifications – including Chapter 1 Scope & Administration

(C) 2024 International Fire Code (IFC) with SC Modifications

(D) 2024 International Plumbing Code (IPC) with SC Modifications – and Appendices E & F

(E) 2024 International Mechanical Code (IMC) with SC Modifications – and Appendix A

(F) 2024 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC) with SC Modifications

(G) 2023 National Electrical Code (NEC) (NFPA 70) with SC Modifications

(H) 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) with SC Modifications

ATTEST:

MELINDA T. PRICE
CITY CLERK

MICHAEL E. SUGGS
MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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FIRST READING: **OCTOBER 5, 2026**

SECOND READING: **TBD**

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2024 South Carolina Code Adoptions

On August 26, 2025, the South Carolina Building Codes Council adopted the latest editions of the mandatory codes and select appendices with modifications, as referenced in S.C. Code Ann. §6-9-50 (1976, as amended), to be enforced by all municipalities and counties in South Carolina.

The adopted mandatory codes are as follows:

2024 Edition of the International Building Code with modifications[1]
2024 Edition of the International Residential Code with modifications[2]
2024 Edition of the International Fire Code with modifications[3]
2024 Edition of the International Plumbing Code with modifications[4]
2024 Edition of the International Mechanical Code with modifications[5]
2024 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Code with modifications[6]
2023 Edition of the National Electrical Code with modifications

The Council established the implementation date for local jurisdictions as **January 1, 2027**.

Print and PDF download versions of the 2024 South Carolina codes will be available for pre-order from the International Code Council's website prior to the January 1, 2027 implementation. The 2023 edition of the National Electrical Code is available for purchase from the National Fire Protection Association's website.

The mandatory codes listed above are to be used in conjunction with the latest code modifications approved by the Council. Only the modifications approved and listed on the Council's website are valid for use in the State. Building code modifications that have not been approved by the Council are invalid and cannot be adopted, employed or enforced by municipalities and counties.

Adoption of the mandatory codes does not include the chapters, sections or provisions addressing administrative policies or procedures. Administrative policies and procedures are the sole responsibility of each local jurisdiction. If the governing body of a local jurisdiction desires to use the administrative provisions in one or more of the adopted codes, it must first adopt the chapters or sections by ordinance. In lieu of adopting the administrative provisions contained in the adopted codes, the governing body of a local jurisdiction may develop specific administrative policies and procedures for the operation of its Building Inspection Department by ordinance.

The latest edition of ICC/ANSI A117.1, Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities, is adopted by statute (S.C. Code Ann. § 10-5-210 *et seq.*), and is mandatory for use in all municipalities and counties within the State. The International Code Council published the 2026 edition of ICC/ANSI A117.1 standard in September 2026 and it is currently available for purchase on the International Code Council's website.

The South Carolina Legislature has enacted the Energy Standard Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 6-10-10 *et seq.*), and pursuant to the Energy Standard Act, the 2009 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code has been statutorily adopted as the energy standard and is mandatory for use in all jurisdictions within the State.

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[1] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Building Code
[2] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Residential Code
[3] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Fire Code
[4] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Plumbing Code
[5] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Mechanical Code
[6] As modified, known as the 2024 South Carolina Fuel Gas Code

LORIS
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE

September 24, 2026

Mayor Michael E. Suggs
City Council Members
City of Loris
4101 Walnut Street
Loris, SC 29569

Dear Mayor Suggs and Members of City Council:

On behalf of the Loris Chamber of Commerce, I respectfully request $10,000 in funding from the City of Loris to continue the annual rental of the property located at 4148 Main Street, commonly known as The Yard, for the upcoming year.

The Yard has become an important space for community activities and events in downtown Loris. Continuing the rental of this property allows the Chamber to maintain this space for events and activities that bring residents and visitors downtown and support our local businesses and community.

The Loris Chamber of Commerce values our partnership with the City of Loris, and we respectfully ask the City to continue its support by providing $10,000 toward the annual rental of this property for the coming year.

Thank you for your consideration and for your continued partnership with the Loris Chamber of Commerce and our community.

Sincerely,
Samantha Norris
Executive Director
Loris Chamber of Commerce