AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 7-16-79

WHEREAS, Chester County Council by Ordinance No. 7-19-79 established a County Library System for Chester County and now desire to change the appointment power.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CHESTER that Section 1 of Ordinance 7-16-79 be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Act 564 of 1978 there is hereby established the Chester County Library System.

The county public library system shall be controlled and managed by a board of trustees consisting of seven (7) members appointed by the Chester County Council. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District One. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District Two. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District Three. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District Four. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District Five. One appointee shall be a legal resident of Chester County Council, District Six. One appointee shall be the at-large appointee and must be a legal resident of Chester County.

The appointees from District One, Three, and Five shall serve a term of four (4) years or until successors are appointed. The appointees from District Two, Four and Six and the at-Large appointee shall serve a term of two (2) years or until successors are appointed.

The board shall annually elect a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer and such other officers as it deems necessary. The board shall meet not less than four times each year and at other times are called by the chairman or upon the written request by a majority of the members.

This amendment shall become effective November 2, 1987.

R. Carlisle Roddey
County Supervisor

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Clerk of Council

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Second reading - October 19, 1987
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"Ordinance of Chester County No.

TO ESTABLISH A COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM FOR CHESTER COUNTY, PROVIDE FOR THE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY LIBRARY AND THE APPOINTMENT, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE LIBRARY BOARD.

Be it enacted by the County Council of Chester County:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Act 564 of 1978 there is hereby established the Chester County Library System.

The county public library system shall be controlled and managed by a board of trustees consisting of seven members appointed by the county council for terms of four years and until successors are appointed and qualify except that of those members initially appointed one-half of such appointees less one shall be appointed for terms of two years only. Previous service on a county library board prior to the enactment of this ordinance establishing the board shall not limit service on the board. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner of the original appointment for the unexpired term. To the extent feasible, members shall be appointed from all geographical areas of the county.

The board shall annually elect a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer and such other officers as it deems necessary. The board shall meet not less than four times each year and at other times as called by the chairman or upon the written request by a majority of the members.

SECTION 2. The board as provided for in Section 1 shall be authorized to exercise powers as to the policies of the county library which shall not be inconsistent with the general policies established by the council, and pursuant to the authority shall be empowered to:
county public library system. Provided, however, any conve
yance, lease or purchase of real property shall be by the county council;

(3) Acquire books and other library materials and provi
des for use thereof throughout the county;

(4) Accept donations of real property, services, books
and other items suitable for use in the library system;

(5) Designate or mark equipment, rooms and buildings,
and other library facilities to commemorate and identify gifts
and donations made to the library system;

(6) Cooperate or enter into contracts or agreements with
any public or private agency which result in improved services
or the receipt of financial aid in carrying out the functions
of the library system. Provided, however, such contracts and
agreements shall be subject to approval by the county council;

(7) Enter into contracts or agreements with other counties
to operate regional or joint libraries and related facilities.
Provided, however, such contracts and agreements shall be
subject to approval by the county council;

(8) Receive and expend grants, appropriations, gifts
and donations from any private or public source for the
operation, expansion or improvement of the library system;

(9) Take any actions deemed necessary and proper by the
board to establish, equip, operate and maintain an effective
library system within limits of approved appropriations of
county council.

SECTION 3. In addition to the powers and duties prescribed
in Section 2 the board shall:

(a) Provide and make available to the residents of the
county books and library materials and in the fulfillment of
this function shall establish a headquarters library and
county council.

(c) Annually at a time designated by the county council submit to the council a budget for the ensuing fiscal year adequate to fund the operation and programs of the library system. Such budget shall list all funds which the board anticipates will be available for the operation of the library system. All funds appropriated, earned, granted or donated to the library system or any of its parts shall be used exclusively for library purposes. All financial procedures relating to the library system including audits shall conform to the procedures established by the county council.

(d) Annually file a detailed report of its operations and expenditures for the previous fiscal year with the county council.

SECTION 4. All state laws and regulations relating to county public library systems shall apply to the library systems created pursuant to Section 1.

All employees of a county public library shall be subject to the provisions of item (7) of Section 4-9-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976.

SECTION 5. The county public library shall be funded by annual appropriations by the county council including millage, if any; levied specifically for the county public library system plus aid provided by the state and federal governments and other sources. If the county council levies a tax specifically for the support of the county public library system, such tax shall apply to all persons and corporations subject to school taxes.

SECTION 6. All assets and property, both real and personal, owned by any county library prior to the creation of a
term, or until July 1, 1982, whichever date is earlier regardless of the numerical composition of the newly created board which would result from such continuing service.

SECTION *. This ordinance shall become effective July 16, 1979.

J.F. Martin,
Chester County Council

Carlisle Roddey,
Clerk, Chester County Council