

- Professional and Ancillary Training – Mayor Myers Evin believes we must embrace the training of frontline workers by keeping our students here to live and work. We must not forget those ancillary workers that support frontline workers. Here we want these positions to be careers, not just jobs that pay living wages and are also highly technical. In addition, program developers, technology, professions, and engineers are included in this group. This will be a great way to retool our workforce and bring them into the 21st century.

OTHER OVERALL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mayor Myers Ervin, championing a holistic approach to address the social needs of the community, acknowledges the City of Florence has so many organizations that do so many good things for the citizens of Florence, S.C., when the government is lacking resources or the manpower to help. She set out to register success that would come about if their interconnectedness were truly representative of the whole. Her answer was the Mayor's Coalition for Humanity, a four-pronged drive that would display compassion for the state of being human in the struggle and willingness to help.

The Mayor's Youth Initiative, co-chaired by Dr. Ronald Murphy of Francis Marion University and Beverly Woods of Florence School District 1, rounds out the mayor's first prong of the Mayor's Coalition for Humanity, which includes initiatives: Mayor's Citizen's Roundtable, Community Esthetic Ad Hoc Committee, Cultural Arts Committee, co-chaired by Dr. Fred Carter, president, Francis Marion University and Rev. Merritt B. Graves, pastor, Mount Zion A.M.E. Church, and the Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee, chaired by Mindy Taylor, district manager, government & community relations, Duke Energy. The first prong is complete and working.

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REDEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIPS IN THE CATALYTIC AREAS

Accomplishments – Elected 2020 to the present

- Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin, through a partnership between the Florence Chamber of Commerce and the City of Florence, created “Innovate Florence.” This is an opportunity for micro businesses to receive information on how to retool, sustain, or improve their business, as well as give them a pathway to become members of Chamber, from the Chamber. The first meeting was hosted by the City of Florence and had 35 micro business owners to attend.
- Complete Pine Street Community Development - While as community development chair serving as councilwoman, Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin facilitated the start of the Pine Street redevelopment project. During my first tenure two homes were built, and three will begin construction, with townhouses in preparation. This really is the start of revitalizing East Florence. We identified Hero Packages through lenders. Thinking about medical professionals who will have the ability to walk to work, as well as rebuild the neighborhoods, as the townhomes are in walking distance to downtown and McLeod.
- Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin was able to facilitate working with Florence County Economic Development Partnership and Florence County to create zoning for East Florence corridor, which is mainly owned by Florence County. This zoning will create zoning in a development plan. Keep in mind the city has the water, and the county has the land.
- Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin established protocols to form the Aesthetics Advisory Committee that advised the city council by working with and through the Community Redevelopment Committee of Council and the city manager on the development of program and initiatives to facilitate the implementation of bridge building beautification projects that will connect and involve all on the community. She strives for all of Florence to be beautiful.

EXPANDING OUR GREEN CITY DEVELOPMENT

Accomplishments – Elected 2020 to present

- Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin is dedicated to creating a walkable city and was able to connect walking trails throughout the City of Florence. This is in line with having a more walkable city making a way for citizens to be more active in their lives, whether that is taking a leisurely stroll, a destination walk, or a power walk.
- In her first year, Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin established protocol and the council successfully voted to make the Resilience and Sustainability Advisory Committee a standing body for the City of Florence. This committee advises city council by working with and through Community Redevelopment Committee of the City Council and the city manager on the development of programs and initiatives, including the development of a “Sustainability and Climate Action Plan,” which will distinguish the city as a leader in sustainability efforts. Right now, the committee is having a study done toward to overall plan.
- Renewable Energy – Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin worked with Florence County Economic Development Partnership and Florence County to land new employer, AESC, an electric battery manufacturer, that will provide 2700 new green jobs.

DEVELOPING NEW JOB SOURCES WHICH WILL PRODUCE BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Accomplishments – Elected 2020 to present

- Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin played an integral role, along with Former Florence County Council Chair Williard Dorriety, Jr., along with Florence County Economic Development Partnership CEO Greg in securing AESC, world-leading battery technology company, \$1.3 Billion expansion of its lithium-ion electric vehicle battery manufacturing operations in Florence County, which will bring a total of 2700 green jobs.
- Marketing Package – In conjunction with the Florence Economic Development Partnership and Florence County, Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin is in the process of putting together a marketing strategy that would allow the City of Florence to showcase what Florence has to offer in the way of quality of life and its workforce. While we do medical well and Mayor Teresa Myers Ervin believes Florence will use the strategy when finished to leverage more green manufacturers coming to this area.