

St. Andrews Public Service District

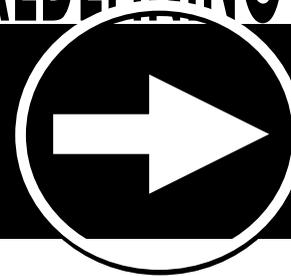


REDEFINING WEST ASHLEY



ST. ANDREWS PSD

What's in it for ME?



As ONE

CHARLESTON CITY

EMERGENCY SERVICES:

- ✓ Public Service Fire Coverage
- ✗ No PSD Police (Countywide System Police & Government)

PUBLIC SERVICES:

- ✓ Weekly Garbage Pick-up



- Lower tax bills.
- Lower water bills.
- City voting rights.
- City fire coverage.
- City public services.
- City police protection.
- City stormwater mgmt.
- City road maintenance.
- Lower City golf & pool fees.
- And much, much more...

CONTACT

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www.Charleston-SC.gov/JOIN



EMERGENCY SERVICES:

- ✓ City Police & Fire headquarters & substations throughout W. Ashley
- ✓ Largest Police Force in S.C.
- ✓ 20 City Fire Stations
- ✓ Crime Prevention & CSI Units

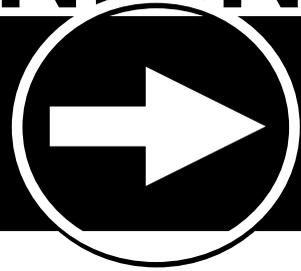
PUBLIC SERVICES:

- ✓ Weekly Garbage Pick-up
- ✓ Pothole Fix & Citizen Help Line
- ✓ City Stormwater Mgmt Division
- ✓ 750+ acres of City parks in W. Ashley
- ✓ 100+ Services & 1600+ Employees
- ✓ And more...



UNITING WEST ASHLEY

WEST OF THE ASHLEY



As ONE CITY

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Most of West Ashley joined the City limits in 1960s leaving several “donut holes” of unincorporated homes. Since 2007, hundreds have annexed to join the City. “Donut hole” property owners apply to incorporate into the city limits to receive financial benefits & superb municipal services. You can too!



Why does the City want me?

Efficiency & Safety...Two governments providing similar services in the same neighborhood is a waste of your—the taxpayer’s—money. Sending 2 garbage trucks, having 2 tax districts, and 9-1-1 directing 2 emergency teams on the same block is confusing & inefficient.

Save your money.

Save your government’s money.

Unite West Ashley as one district.

The City.



How much do you pay annually?

An average household pays... **CHARLESTON CITY** **ST ANDREWS PSD**

CWS Water & Sewer	\$846	\$1,246
Property Taxes	\$1,310	\$1,487
Stormwater Services Fee	\$72	\$36
TOTAL SERVICE COST	\$2,228	\$2,769

Savings by Joining the City... \$541 / year

Above estimates based on Charleston County tax rates and 2014 CWS rates for an average household using 6ccfs of water in a \$250,000 owner-occupied home. Contact us for your home’s calculation (based on your current appraisal & an average of your utility & water bills). Call 843.724.3789 or email annex@charleston-sc.gov. See back for more info.

HOW DO I TRANSFER INTO THE CITY?

- Call 724-3789. Sign & Submit annexation application.
- City Council reads application at 2 meetings for approval.


- Welcome to the City!

 - CWS Bill Reduction
 - City Police & Fire
 - City Garbage Can

Q: Who is eligible to join the City?

A: Any property that is contiguous or “touching” a city limit within West Ashley is eligible. Unsure? Contact us.

Q: Why are taxes less in the City?

A: City residents get a large tax credit that is not given to PSD residents.

Q: Does it cost anything to join?

A: No. The application is free. You can save money by joining.

Q: Why are CWS bills less in the City?

A: City residents automatically get the “in city” rate that is about 33% less than the rate given to PSD residents.

Q: How can I help unite West Ashley?

A: Most of your neighborhood is already in the City. Unite by annexing your home into the City. Help improve efficiency & safety.

Q: Will my zoning stay the same?

A: We will match your zoning to the comparable City zoning, unless a different zoning is discussed.

