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## MEDIA ALERT

### 2026 Riverbanks Park Commission Regular Meetings Notice

**Columbia, S.C., January 5, 2026** - Riverbanks Zoo and Garden announces the following monthly meeting:

**WHAT:**

Riverbanks Park Commission Meeting

**WHEN:**

12:30 PM on the third Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted - January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18, July 23, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17

**WHERE:**

Riverbanks Zoo and Garden's Rivermont Administration Building  
400 Rivermont Drive  
Columbia SC 29210

Meeting agendas will be posted on [Riverbanks' website](#) 24 hours in advance; agendas also will be posted outside the designated meeting space.

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**About Riverbanks Park Commission:** The Riverbanks Park Commission is the governing authority of the Rich-Lex Riverbanks Parks Special Purpose District and is responsible to the citizens of the Midlands for the financial stability of Riverbanks Zoo and Garden. It consists of seven members appointed for six-year terms. Two members are appointed by the Richland County Council, two by the Lexington County Council, two by the City of Columbia, and one jointly by the three entities.

**About Riverbanks Zoo and Garden:** Riverbanks Zoo and Garden is home to more than 3,000 magnificent and fascinating animals and one of America's best public gardens. The Zoo opened on April 25, 1974, and for over five decades, has connected individuals, families and school children with the natural world. Riverbanks is an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums and is recognized as a global leader in animal care and welfare, education, recreation, science, and wildlife conservation. It is the mission of the Zoo and Garden to create meaningful connections and inspire actions that will have a lasting impact on wildlife and wild places. For more information, visit [riverbanks.org](http://riverbanks.org).

Creating connections. Inspiring action. Impacting wildlife and wild places.

