

Florence city government ranked one of state's top employers

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The city of Florence received an award as one of the best places to work in South Carolina.

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FLORENCE, S.C. – In its first year competing, the city of Florence has been named one of South Carolina’s top workplaces.

On Thursday evening, the leadership of the city of Florence traveled to Greenville to receive an award for being the fourth-best large company to work for in the Palmetto State. The city also received a direction award.

Among those traveling were Mayor Stephen J. Wukela, City Manager Drew Griffin, General Services department director Scotty Davis, utilities director Michael Hemingway, Fire Chief Randy Osterman, public works director Chuck Pope, planning director Jerry Dudley, development director Clint Moore, and office administration manager Amanda Pope.

“It doesn’t stop here,” an email to city employees said. “City staff is appreciative of each of you who took the time to complete the survey and provide comments. The information you provided will help staff focus on areas of refinement as we strive to continually improve and be a model workplace. Thank you for demonstrating collaboration, professionalism and ownership as you serve the Florence community and advance it Full Life. Full Forward. – FLORENCE!”

The awards are given out after employee engagement surveys conducted by Energage. Energage partners with media in several states to market the top workplaces. In South Carolina, that partner is Integrated Media Publishing, the publisher of Greenville Business Magazine, Columbia Business Monthly and Charleston Business Magazine.

Employee groups are surveyed from interested businesses to develop a list of the state’s top business leaders and highest-ranking employment companies. The employee responses from participating businesses are compared with results from other participating workplaces to determine the top workplaces to be recognized. These companies are acknowledged for their commitment to create a work environment that attracts, develops, motivates and retains talented employees.