



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL November 10, 2015

MEETING LOCATION: Greer City Hall, 301 East Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING Mayor Rick Danner - 6:33 P.M.

The following members of Council were in attendance:

Jay Arrowood, Wayne Griffin, Kimberly Bookert, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Others present:

Ed Driggers, City Administrator, Mike Sell, Assistant City Administrator, Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk, Steve Owens, Communications Manager and various other staff and media.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Councilman Wayne Griffin

III. INVOCATION Councilman Wayne Griffin

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

Andrea Burnett, 108 McKissick Street spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 22-2015.

Jim Hughes, 121 Fuller Street spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 22-2015.

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING October 27, 2015

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion that the minutes of October 27, 2015 be received as written. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. SPECIAL REGOGNITION

- A.** Mayor Rick Danner read Resolution Number 12-2015 recognizing and commending the following City of Greer Employees for their dedicated and faithful service:

Joseph Borrelli has served in the Fire Department for 5 years;

Mike Davis has served in the Recreation Department for 5 years;

Barbara Ferguson has served in Municipal Court for 5 years;

Susan Howell has served in the Finance Department for 5 years;

Wesley Keller has served in the Police Department for 5 years;

Kevin Miller has served in the Fire Department for 5 years;

Joseph Phillips has served in the Police Department for 5 years;

Kirsten Pressley has served in Municipal Court for 20 years; and Chuck McConnell has served in the Fire Department for 25 years.

VII. PRESETATION

A. Century Park Construction Project Update

Red Watson, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation updated Council on the construction project at Century Park. The project is funded by a grant through the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the City of Greer. (attached)

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Calendar Items:

Veteran's Day – Tomorrow is Veterans Day and we will be celebrating with our Veterans with a breakfast starting at 7:30am in the Training room of the Police Department. Please join us if you can.

Mr. Driggers Traveling – Reno Deaton, Executive Director of Greer Development Corporation and I will be traveling with the Greenville Chamber of Commerce to Austin, Texas this Wednesday and returning early Saturday morning. There are about eighty-five (85) delegates from the Greenville area participating.

Employee Appreciation Breakfast – will be held Friday, December 11th at City Hall. Coffee and conversation will begin at 7:00 and breakfast at 7:30. We look forward to seeing you there.

Update – As of October 31st we have ninety-seven million dollars (\$97,000,000.) in investment in both residential and commercial development in the City of Greer. We have two hundred (200) housing starts as of the end of October that is ahead of where we were for all of last year and another twenty-two (22) multi-family projects as we continue to move forward.

Executive Session

Mr. Driggers stated he had one (1) Legal matter that may involve litigation and one (1) Contractual matter (request to purchase property owned by the City) for consideration in Executive Session.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 22-2015 **AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY IRA J. HANDY LOCATED ON OAKLAND AVENUE, MCKISSICK STREET**

AND FULLER STREET FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL) TO RM-1 (RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY).

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. The owner Ira Handy (237 Jones Road, Taylors, SC 29687) was present and did speak.

Discussion was held.

No motion was made the request failed.

**B. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 23-2015
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY LEON HIX REAL ESTATE LLC LOCATED AT 100 OAKLAND AVENUE FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL) TO R7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY).**

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 23-2015. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 24-2015
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY ALICIA V. DRUMMOND LOCATED AT 103 FOREST STREET FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL) TO R7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY).**

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 24-2015. Councilman Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 25-2015
AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY CARMELITA G. FOSTER LOCATED AT 107 FOREST STREET FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL) TO R7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY).**

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 25-2015. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously

E. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 27-2015

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF GREER CODE OF ORDINANCES
CHAPTER 2 - ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE II - CITY COUNCIL, DIVISION 1 -
GENERALLY, SECTION 2-36 – COMPENSATION**

ACTION - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 27-2015. Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Councilwoman Albert stated "Going back to this raise for the Council, I know I said it in words at the last council meeting and I know as was pointed out the Mayor does a wonderful job, he does. He makes a lot of appearances, he goes to you know different places and represents the city great as does the other councilmembers here. And as I had said the other week my problem is that with Congress and they go to give their self a raise I get kind of upset when it comes time for them to vote on their own raise so therefore by me voting on my own raise I feel like I would be a hypocrite by voting for me to get a raise when I get angry when Congress gets to vote for themselves a raise. You know everything that is going on with Congress and the American people don't feel like they're doing their duties and everybody in an up roar now about things not getting done and so forth. So I know that doesn't represent this Council because I think everyone on this Council is great and I think the City does a fantastic job and all the Council but I just wanted to let that be known that that is my feelings. Thank you."

VOTE – Motion carried 6-1 with Councilwoman Judy Albert voting in opposition.

F. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 28-2015

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF GREER CODE OF ORDINANCES,
CHAPTER 90, UTILITIES, ARTICLE II SEWER USE AND PRETREATMENT,
DIVISION 4 PROHIBITIONS AND LIMITATIONS ON WASTEWATER
DISCHARGES AND REPEALING AND REPLACING ATTACHMENT A IN ITS
ENTIRETY**

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 28-2015. Councilman Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 29-2015

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF
PROPERTY OWNED BY WILLIAM C. AND CAROLYN R. DORRIS LOCATED AT 16
QUAIL CREEK DRIVE BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO
ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT)
FOR SAID PROPERTY**

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. He stated the Planning Commission will hold the Public Hearing November 16th. Neither the owner nor a representative was present during the meeting.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 29-2015. Councilman Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 30-2015

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PROPERTY AND PORTIONS OF A PROPERTY OWNED BY CULLUM GSP 081, LP LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF GENOBLE ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL) FOR SAID PROPERTIES

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. He stated the Planning Commission will hold the Public Hearing November 16th. Reno Deaton, Executive Director of Greer Development Corporation was present to answer questions for the owner.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 30-2015. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 31-2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF GREER CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD A SECTION CREATING AN ACCOMMODATIONS TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES THEREFORE

David Seifert, Director of Finance and Information Technology presented the ordinance.

ACTION - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 31-2015. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

D. Greer City Council 2016 Meeting Schedule

ACTION - Councilwoman Judy Albert made a motion to approve the Greer City Council 2016 Meeting Schedule. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rick Danner stated an Executive Session was needed to receive information on one (1) **Legal** matter (that may involve litigation) and one (1) **Contractual** matter (Request to purchase property owned by the City).

ACTION - In (7:25 p.m.) - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive information as stated by the Mayor. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they received information on one (1) **Legal** matter and one (1) **Contractual** matter and no action would be needed.


ACTION - Out (7:58 p.m.) – Councilwoman Judy Albert made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

X. ADJOURNMENT

7:59 P.M.



Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk


Richard W. Danner, Mayor

Notifications:

Agenda posted in City Hall and email notifications sent to The Greenville News, The Greer Citizen, GreerToday.com and the Spartanburg Herald Journal Friday, November 6, 2015.

