



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL April 12, 2016

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

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING Mayor Rick Danner - 6:34 P.M.

The following members of Council were in attendance:
Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Jay Arrowood, Wayne Griffin and Kimberly Bookert were absent.

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 Lee Dumas

III. INVOCATION Councilman Lee Dumas

IV. PUBLIC FORUM No one signed up to speak

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING March 22, 2016

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of March 22, 2016 be received as written. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mayor Rick Danner and Greer City Council presented Miss Greater Greer Teen Berkley Bryant with a proclamation declaring April 12, 2016 as "No Bullying Day" in the City of Greer.

VII. PETITIONER

A. Spartanburg Community Indicators Project

Kathy Dunleavy, Cabinet Member, Spartanburg Community Indicators Project and President & CEO of Mary Black Foundation presented the following information to Council. The Spartanburg Community Indicators Project is a collaboration of The Spartanburg County Foundation, United Way of the Piedmont, Spartanburg County, USC Upstate, Mary Black Foundation, Spartanburg Regional Foundation, and Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Project has identified 7 Indicator Areas of Spartanburg County's quality of life: Civic Health, Cultural Vitality, Economy, Education, Natural Environment, Public Health and Social Environment. (Attachment)

VIII. PRESENTATION

Caroline Robertson, Director of Greer Relief presented her Annual Report. (Attachment)

IX. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Opening Day for Baseball – Mr. Driggers informed Council Opening Day for Baseball was Saturday, April 9th we had approximately 1500 to 2000 to participate and or attend.

International Festival – Was held Saturday, April 9th we had approximately 3500 – 4000 in attendance. Mayor Danner stated this year was a great example of why we do this, every year it continues to grow larger not only in n attendance but in diversity as well. I think we have begun to give people a sense of who this community is and what this community is about. We have an incredible international community. This is truly a hallmark of the quality of life in our community that we can host an event that caters not only to our community but showcases our international community as well.

Touch a Truck – was held last week and there was a phenomenal turnout again. This is a well-attended worthwhile event for us in Greer Station.

Moonlight Movies – Summer will fill our park again with the summer movie series which will begin in a few weeks.

Calendar Items:

Spring Cleaning Day – previously known as Amnesty Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 30th resident may drop off items not normally accepted curbside at the Recycling Center from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Family Fest – is scheduled for Friday and Saturday May 6th and 7th.

Employee Picnic – is scheduled for Saturday, June 11th at City Park.

CPR Saturdays – are being hosted at the Fire Department. We are now six (6) months booked out on accepting reservations for people to participate. We have found there is a

tremendous need within our community. If people are inquiring how to participate please have them contact the Fire Department.

Smoke Detector Program – We have distributed all of our smoke detectors for this year but because we feel so strongly about the program we are reordering those. We feel if anyone approaches us and needs a smoke detector in their home we want to make sure a smoke detector is placed there and is operating properly. We will do an inspection, installation and education as part of our Fire Prevention Program.

Executive Session

Mr. Driggers stated he had 1 Contractual Matter (Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreation Funding) for consideration during Executive Session.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2016

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MARK III PROPERTIES, INC. LOCATED ON ALEXANDER ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-12 (CLUSTER, RESIDENTIAL – SINGLE FAMILY) FOR SAID

Steve Grant, Director of Building and Development Standards stated a Public Hearing was held March 21st. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission recommends approval of the request. Staff recommended Council amend the ordinance to remove all references to "A portion of" and update the Tax Map Number to T035000101203 due to the property being subdivided since first reading.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to amend the ordinance to remove all references to "A portion of" and update the Tax Map Number to T035000101203 and approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2016. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 8-2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF GREER

Ed Driggers, City Administrator informed Council during the Council meeting held last week the City of Woodruff Council agreed to accept the donation of the City of Greer 1991 Sutphen Pumper Truck and in turn they would donate their 1987 Pierce Dash to the J. Harley Bonds Career Center.

ACTION - Councilwoman Judy Albert made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 8-2016. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 9-2016

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY GREER PROFESSIONAL PARK GENERAL PA LOCATED ON CHANDLER ROAD AND MEMORIAL DRIVE EXTENSION FROM OD (OFFICE DISTRICT) TO RM-2 (RESIDENTIAL - MULTI FAMILY).

Steve Grant, Director of Building and Development Standards stated a Public Hearing was held March 21st. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission recommends approval of the request. Neither the owner nor a representative was present. Staff recommended Council amend the ordinance to reflect the current zoning as C-3 (Highway Commercial) in lieu of OD (Office District) as this incorrect.

ACTION - Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to amend the current zoning to C-3 (Highway Commercial) and approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 9-2016. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 10-2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER (Ozella's Ridge)

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the ordinance.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 10-2016. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-2016

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF ANY AND ALL INTEREST IN CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER (Gap Creek Rd)

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the ordinance.

ACTION - Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-2016. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

Brief discussion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

7:26 pm Council adjourned for Executive Session

D. Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreational Funding

No action taken at this time.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rick Danner stated an Executive Session was needed to receive information on one (1) **Contractual** matters (Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreational Funding).

ACTION - In (7:26 p.m.) - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive information as stated by the Mayor. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they received the information as stated above.

ACTION - Out (7:55 p.m.) – Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner asked to revisit Item D. Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreational Funding.

Action After Executive Session

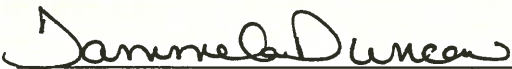
ACTION – Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to authorize the City Administrator to sign on behalf of the City to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for Recreational Funding per the request from the County of Greenville. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried 3-1 with Councilman Wryley Bettis voting in opposition.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

7:57 P.M.


Richard W. Danner, Mayor


Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk

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, April 8, 2016.



PROCLAMATION

Mayor Rick Danner and Greer City Council recognize

“NO BULLYING DAY”

WHEREAS, various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence, affecting millions of American children and adolescents annually; and

WHEREAS, People of all ages and abilities have the right to be safe from physical and emotional attack and any form of behavior that is threatening, harassing, bullying, abusive, or dangerous must be stopped; and

WHEREAS, Families, schools, youth organizations, colleges, workplaces, places of worship, and other groups are responsible for empowering and protecting their members and for promoting cultures of caring, respect, and safety for everyone; and

WHEREAS, Children who witness bullying often feel less secure, more fearful and intimidated; and children who bully are at greater risk of engaging in more serious violent behaviors; and

WHEREAS, While children have great power to participate in building and supporting a culture of caring, community, and respect, adults are responsible for providing the leadership, supervision, and guidance necessary for maintaining an environment that is physically and emotionally safe for everyone in our community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Greater Greer Teen Berkley Bryant champions the cause of making South Carolina a “No Bully Zone” and encourages everyone to take the anti-bullying pledge “I Won’t STAND By, I Will STAND up!”; and

NOW, THEREFORE, Mayor Rick Danner and Greer City Council declare that City of Greer schools, students, parents, recreation programs, religious institutions, and community organizations be encouraged to engage in bullying awareness and prevention activities designed to make our communities safer for all children and adolescents and recognize April 12, 2016 as “No Bullying Day” in the City of Greer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND
AND CAUSED THIS SEAL TO BE AFFIXED

RICHARD W. DANNER
MAYOR

WITNESS

April 12, 2016

DATE