



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL March 13, 2018

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

I. CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC HEARING

Call to Order 6:35 P. M.

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

Councilmember Wayne Griffin was 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.

Douglas Dent, Interim Executive Director of Greenville County Redevelopment Authority introduced himself and Imma Nwobodu, Program Manager. Ms. Nwobodu presented the Greenville County Program Year 2018 Annual Action Plan for the City of Greer. (attachment)

No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

Adjourn 7:00 P.M.

II. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Rick Danner - 7:00 P.M.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Wryley Bettis

IV. INVOCATION

Councilmember Wryley Bettis

V. PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Flink, 412 Meadow Hill Way, voiced his concerns involving traffic related to the new construction on Henderson Gap Road related to Ordinance Numbers 9 & 10, 2018.

Jane Salts, 502 Meadow Hill Way, also shared her concerns related to traffic on Henderson Gap Road related to Ordinance Numbers 9 & 10, 2018.

Teresa DeVito, 509 Meadow Hill Way, shared her concerns related to traffic on Henderson Gap Road related to Ordinance Numbers 9 & 10, 2018.

Matt Bowes, 11 Matlock Circle, spoke in favor of Ordinance Number 11-2018.

VI. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

February 27, 2018

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of February 27, 2018 be received as written. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VII. PRESENTATION

A. 2018-2022 City of Greer Fire Department Customer Centered Strategic Plan

Fire Chief Dorian Flowers introduced Shawn S. Kelley with Practical Solutions for Public Safety, Inc. Mr. Kelley presented the plan. (attached)

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Calendar Items:

Touch a Truck – Tuesday, March 20th downtown.

Eggtastic – Saturday, March 24th.

Baseball Opening Weekend

Friday, April 13th Opening Night

Saturday, April 14th Opening Day

International Festival – Saturday, April 14th

Kids Planet – the Recreation Department is actively involved in our elementary schools doing an assessment for the redevelopment of kids Planet. We are doing interviews at the schools and we have an upcoming community event with interviews as well.

Employment Application – is now online. That site is our most visited site on our website. We hope this will improve our processes and continue to provide quality folks on board as part of Team Greer.

Council Planning Retreat – we have not been able to reach a consensus when everyone can participate. Mayor Danner will continue to have conversation with all of Council relative to timing and process. As staff we are glad to do that in any way that best accommodates you and your schedules and provides you with the feedback you need.

Statement of Economic Interest (Ethics Report) – Due March 30th.

IX. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. Planning Commission

District 1 Don Foster resigned effective immediately his term expires 6/30/2020.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood nominated John Holland to serve on the District 1 seat of the Planning Commission. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the nomination.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 5-2018 AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY B. SCOTT STREETMAN LOCATED AT RIDGECREST CIRCLE FROM O-D (OFFICE DISTRICT) TO R-7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE- FAMILY).

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to receive Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 5-2018. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2018 AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY RICHARD FRANS LOCATED AT 937 ABNER CREEK ROAD FROM C-3 (COMMERCIAL) TO R-7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE- FAMILY).

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to receive Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2018. Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 7-2018 AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY DOBBIE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP LOCATED AT VICTOR HILL ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL), FOR SAID PROPERTY.

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager stated there was no new information.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 7-2018. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 8-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY WILLIAM D. GRADY LOCATED AT 124 AND 126 GILBERT STREET FROM RM-1 (RESIDENTIAL MULTI - FAMILY) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager presented Ordinance Number 8-2018. The owner was present but did not speak.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 8-2018. Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 9-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY FAYE C. ROSS LOCATED ON HENDERSON GAP ROAD FROM R-15 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE - FAMILY) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager presented Ordinance Number 9-2018. A representative was present and spoke briefly.

ACTION - Councilwoman Judy Albert made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 9-2018. Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Lengthy discussion held.

Councilmember Albert spoke at length regarding her concern with the narrow road, students walking on the road, people walking their dogs on the road and the general safety of the road. She was also concerned with the number of homes in the development.

Councilmember Arrowood shared his concerns with making a decision for zoning based on increase in traffic.

Sharon Calhoun (realtor for property owner) with Berkshire Hathaway C. Dan Joyner spoke briefly in support of the project.

Micah Fraley with Bluewater Civil Design spoke briefly regarding the design of the project.

VOTE – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 10-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY JENNIFER AND EDGAR BAXTER LOCATED ON HENDERSON GAP ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager presented Ordinance Number 10-2018. A representative was present.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 10-2018. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

Lengthy discussion held.

Councilmember Albert restated her concerns for the narrow road, the congested traffic, and the safety of the road.

Councilmember Bookert stated "I definitely wanted to make sure it is known that we hear the request of the citizens, our votes tonight are definitely on zoning and our vote is on annexation. It's not on the ability to run the traffic streets or anything of that nature."

VOTE – Motion carried 5-1 with Councilmember Albert voting in opposition.

D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 11-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF GREER ZONING CODE OF ORDINANCE BY ADDING TO ARTICLE 4, DEFINITIONS AND ARTICLE 5, ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS TO INCORPORATE BREWPUBS, MICRO BREWERIES, BREWERIES, MICRO DISTILLERIES, AND DISTILLERIES WITHIN THE CITY OF GREER.

Kelli McCormick, Planning Manager presented Ordinance Number 11-2018.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 11-2018. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

Brief discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

**E. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 7-2018
Supporting Sunshine Week and Open Government**

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented Resolution Number 7-2018.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Resolution 7-2018. Councilman Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

F. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 8-2018

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-1-170(C), CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA 1976, AS AMENDED, CONSENTING TO THE PLACEMENT IN A JOINT INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS PARK BETWEEN GREENVILLE AND ANDERSON COUNTIES OF CERTAIN PROPERTY CURRENTLY LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREER.

Reno Deaton, Executive Director of Greer Development Corporation presented Resolution Number 8-2018.

ACTION - Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Resolution 8-2018. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION - In (8:53 p.m.)

(A) Contract for Services

Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contractual negotiations between ACE Environmental and the City as allowed by SC Code of Laws Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

(B) Contract for Professional Services

Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss contractual negotiations between RBA Group and the City as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Seconded by Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert. Motion carried unanimously.

(C) Legal Advice

Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive legal advice from the City Attorney as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they discussed the above matters and no action was taken.

ACTION - Out (9:51 p.m.) – Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Action taken after Executive Session

(A) Contract for Services with ACE Environmental.

Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion authorizing the City Administrator to enter into a contractual agreement with ACE Environmental. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

(B) Contract for Professional Services with RBA Group.

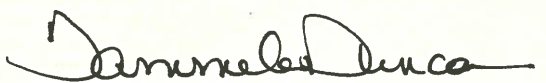
Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion authorizing the City Administrator to execute an agreement with RBA Group (handling the parking deck design for the city). Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

C) Legal Advice from the City Attorney.

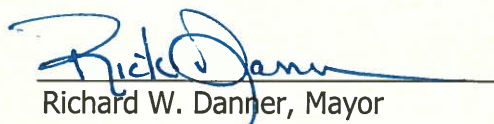
No action was taken.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

9:54 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, March 9, 2018.



**Public Forum
Sign in**

**March 13, 2018
6:30 pm**

(a) **Public Forum.** During a period of thirty (30) minutes at the beginning of each city council meeting, referred to as a public forum, the presiding officer may recognize citizens of the municipality or others who have standing in the municipality, such as business owners, who wish to address council on matters pertaining to items on that meeting's agenda.

Sign-up for Public Forum. At least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the commencement of a city council meeting, a potential speaker, who is not already a petitioner appearing on the agenda and is not a previous petitioner speaking on the same subject, wishing to appear before council must place his or her name, address, and whether he or she is for or against an agenda item on the public forum list. This list shall be maintained by the municipal clerk. Sign ups for public forums will be on a first come, first served basis. The municipal clerk shall make the public forum list available for council and public inspection. No names will be added to the list once the list is given to the presiding officer and the public forum has begun. The presiding officer will give equal time to those for and against the agenda items that are to be discussed during a public forum.

Name	Address	Agenda Item	In Favor / Oppose
PETER FLINK	417 MEADOW HILL WAY	NEW HOUSING (CONDO) DEVELOPMENT ON HENDERSON GAP RD.	QUESTION REGARDING
Jane Saltz	502 Meadow Hill Way	new housing units	OPPOSE
Teresa DeVito	509 Meadow Hill Way	new townhomes Henderson Gap Rd.	OPPOSE
Matt Bowes	11 Matlock Circle	Brewery Ordinance	In Favor