



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

**MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL
December 11, 2018**

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

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

The following members of Council were in attendance:
Jay Arrowood, Wayne Griffin arrived at 639, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Councilmember Kimberly Bookert 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.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Councilmember Jay Arrowood

III. INVOCATION Councilmember Jay Arrowood

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

Sondra O'Shea, 213 Fairway Estates Rd spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 38-2018.

Mr. Vanbeek, 122 Ashlan Woods Court spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 38-2018.

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING November 27, 2018

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of November 27, 2018 be received as written. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

- A.** Edgar Atkins was recognized upon retirement for his ten years of dedicated service to the City of Greer from November 3, 2008 until December 31, 2018.
- B.** Lt. Marcus Kelley was recognized upon his retirement for his twenty-three years of dedicated service to the City of Greer from March 23, 1995 until December 28, 2018.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Finance

David Seifert, Chief Financial Officer highlighted his monthly activity report.

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers presented the following:

Christmas in Greer Station

Friday, December 7th, Kicked off Supper with Santa and Tree Lighting. The Tree Lighting ceremony was one of our largest attended events.

Saturday, December 8th, Breakfast with Santa at the Cannon Centre.

Sunday, December 9th, Annual Christmas Parade unfortunately we had to cancel this event in the best interest of our community from a safety perspective.

Employee Appreciation Breakfast – will be held this Friday, December 15th with Coffee and Conversation at 7:00 and Breakfast at 7:30 at City Hall.

Police Department – will host a reception for Lt. Marcus Kelley Tuesday, December 18th in the second-floor lobby of City Hall from 4:00 until 6:00.

Tuesday, December 18th Mr. Driggers and his wife Christy will host the annual Holiday Gathering at their home. It will begin at 6:30. Invitations have been emailed.

Snow Storm – we did a two-hour delay for opening of our office facility Monday and Tuesday. Snow was the cause for Monday, this morning was more related to the black ice. We do not take those types of decisions lightly we gather as a team and evaluate our forecast. We receive information from our two counties emergency operations centers relative to weather reports. We also monitor the National Weather Service. This only effects about one-third of our employees, please know that two-thirds of our employees are not on any type of delay. Our Public Safety Police and Fire and also those folks on storm management involving those in Public Services as well as those in our Recreations Department. Those employees are reporting on schedule and to their assigned duties and areas for storm management. We will have a complete report for you at your next meeting. Outlining the specifics.

Steve Owens, Communications Manager presented a video to visibly demonstrate what it takes for our Public Services Department to prepare for the work involving a storm.

Street Scape Project – Mr. Driggers stated because of the storm we have made a temporary delay in our bid opening for our Street Scape Project that was scheduled to be at 11:00 am tomorrow we received a phone call from one of the parties that attended the mandatory pre-bid conference, we had good participation and we do not know how many will bid but we extended the date of the bid until Friday, December 15th at 2:00 pm. We wanted to make sure everyone as they are working through the storm has ample time to get their information prepared. Once the information is in hand we will begin to negotiate with the low bidder. There will be a 14-day challenge period. Once we are at that stage,

I will communicate with you directly and let you know where we are and how we are moving forward.

IX. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee

4 Hospitality Industry Representatives
Bill Tyler's term expires 12/31/2018
Randy Jones's term expires 12/31/2018
Gary Patel's term expires 12/31/2018
Christina Lewis's term expires 12/31/2018

1 Cultural Organization Representative
Neil Waldrop's term expires 12/31/2018

2 General Public Representatives
Scott Stevens's term expires 12/31/2018
Reno Deaton's term expires 12/31/2018

David Seifert, Chief Financial Officer recommended the following to Council:

4 Hospitality Industry Representatives
Bill Tyler term expiring 12/31/2021
Andrew Carter term expiring 12/31/2021
Erin Williams term expiring 12/31/2021
Christina Lewis term expiring 12/31/2021

1 Cultural Organization Representative
Barbara Bohley term expiring 12/31/2021

2 General Public Representatives
Scott Stevens term expiring 12/31/2021
Reno Deaton term expiring 12/31/2021

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to accept the recommendations as stated above. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. Recreation Association Board of Trustees

District 2 Travis Ware's term expires 12/31/2018.
District 6 Charles Ryan's term expires 12/31/2018.

ACTION – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to reappointed Travis Ware to District 2 seats on the Recreation Board of Trustees. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

No other nominations were made.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 38-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY WASHINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH LOCATED AT 2308 EAST GAP CREEK ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF R-10 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) FOR SAID PROPERTY.

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator stated the Public Hearing was held November 19, 2018 and the Planning Commission recommended R-12 Single Family Residential zoning.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to amend the zoning to R-12 Single Family Residential zoning and approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 38-2018. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

Discussion was held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 39-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY PLASTIC OMNIUM EXTERIOR, LLC LOCATED AT 871 AND 875 VICTOR HILL ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator stated the Public Hearing was held November 19, 2018 and the Planning Commission recommended approval.

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 39-2018. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 40-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MICHAEL GRASSO, AND ANDREW AND KATHY JOHNSON LOCATED AT 102 MCDANIEL AVENUE FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO R-7.5 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE, FAMILY DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new or additional information.

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 40-2018. Councilmember Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

Brief discussion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

D. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 41-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY HAPPY HOMESTEAD LLC (JEANNIE AND DOUGLAS FOWLER) LOCATED AT 209 SNOW STREET FROM R-12 (RESIDENTIAL, SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT) TO R-7.5 (RESIDENTIAL, SINGLE, FAMILY DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new or additional information.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 41-2018. Councilmember Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

E. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 42-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MARY GREEN LOCATED AT 551 ABNER CREEK ROAD FROM R-S (RESIDENTIAL, SUBURBAN DISTRICT) TO R-12 (RESIDENTIAL, SINGLE, FAMILY DISTRICT).

Brandon McMahan, Zoning Coordinator stated there was no new or additional information.

ACTION – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 42-2018. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

F. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 43-2018

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF GREER CODE OF ORDINANCES "CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE II, SECTION 14-31 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE ADOPTED; FIRE ZONE DISTRICT;

CONFLICTS" BY AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE FIRE ZONE DISTRICT.

Scott Keeley, Deputy Chief of the Fire Department stated there was no new or additional information.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 43-2018. Councilmember Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 24-2018

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

Reno Deaton, Executive Director of Greer Development Corporation presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 24-2018. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

Brief discussion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Driggers stated items B. C. and D. are items we will have discussion on during Executive Session, with Council's permission he requested Council defer any action on items B. C. and D. until after Executive Session.

B. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 25-2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREER TO AUTHORIZE NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL POWER SALES AGREEMENT

C. NOTICE OF TERMINATION

D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 44-2018

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR A COMPANY IDENTIFIED FOR THE TIME BEING AS PROJECT O'HARE; AUTHORIZING

THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ACTION – In (7:34 p.m.)

(A) Economic Development Matter

Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development Matter pertaining to Project O'Hare as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(5). Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

(B) Economic Development Matter

Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development Matter pertaining to Project Thunderbolt as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(5). Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

(C) Contractual Matter

Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a Contractual Matter pertaining to Greer Commission of Public Works as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(2). Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION - Out (9:27 p.m.) – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Items of New Business B. C. and D. were considered.

B. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 25-2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREER TO AUTHORIZE NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL POWER SALES AGREEMENT

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve the First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 25-2018. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. NOTICE OF TERMINATION

ACTION – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to authorize a signature for the Notice of Termination. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 44-2018

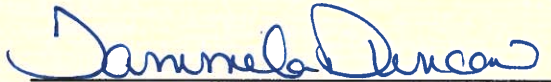
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR A COMPANY IDENTIFIED FOR THE TIME BEING AS PROJECT O'HARE; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS. (In title only)


ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve the First Reading of Ordinance Number 44-2018. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

9:31 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, December 7, 2018.

