



## **CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA**

### **MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL October 13, 2020**

**Meeting Location: Greer City Hall, 301 East Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651**

#### **Call to Order**

Mayor Rick Danner – 6:31 P.M.

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

Councilmember Wayne Griffin was absent.

Others present: Andy Merriman, City Administrator, Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk, Mike Sell, Deputy City Administrator, Steve Owens, Communications Manager and various other staff and media.

#### **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Jay Arrowood

#### **Public Forum**

Jane Kizer, 4 Casa Loma Drive, Taylors shared her concerns regarding Ordinance Number 50-2020.

#### **Minutes of the Council Meeting**

September 22, 2020

**ACTION** – Councilmember Mark Hopper made a motion that the minutes of September 22, 2020 be received as written. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

**VOTE** - Motion carried unanimously.

**Special Recognition** – Mayor Danner read a proclamation in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and presented the proclamation to Tina Irby. Ms. Irby spoke briefly.

#### **Petitioner** – James Plemons

Mr. Plemons requested his name be removed from the agenda.

**Andy Merriman**, City Administrator presented the following:



**Dine on Trade** – We've had two weeks of Dine on Trade and both of those weeks have been tremendously successful. We will continue this the rest of the month. There are a few things we can tweak but we have a good team pulling it together. I want to thank the downtown merchants for their excitement in participating in this opportunity.

**Greenville County Redevelopment Authority** – will be at the Cannon Centre Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 6:30 pm to present conceptual plans for workforce housing development with homeownership opportunities in the Sunnyside Community and would like Community input.

**Leadership Team Retreat** – a reminder the leadership team will be in a retreat this Friday, (October 16, 2020). We are local.

**Council Retreat** – a reminder Council will hold their retreat November 6, 2020 at City Hall. I am looking forward to that.

**Paving Underway** – Paving on Fuller Street was completed today. Paving on Gallivan Street, Gary Armstrong Road and West Church Street have started or will be starting in the next twenty-four to forth-eight hours.

**Cannon Street Storm Water Work** – Center G Communications Team is working with contractors and residents to keep them apprised of everything that is going on with that project and trying to minimize the impact as much as possible.

**Safety Breakfast** – On behalf of all the employees City of Greer I want to thank you for your support and partnership for the Safety Breakfast last week. It was tremendously successful. It was our first virtual format and my first Safety Breakfast and in the couple of months so far I am constantly amazed at the family atmosphere that exist with the employees here in Greer. I think that is reflective not only of their work and time here with the City but your leadership and you setting that standard.

Discussion regarding using concrete on Cannon Street.

## **Old Business**

### **Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 50-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY FOR 8 CORPORATION INC. LOCATED AT 5251 WADE HAMPTON BOULEVARD, 5 FAIRVIEW ROAD, 9 FAIRVIEW ROAD, AND SKYLINE WAY BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF C-3 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTIES.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner stated the Public Hearing was held September 21, 2020 and the Planning Commission recommended approval.



**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 50-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Discussion was held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

## **New Business**

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 52-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF TWO PROPERTIES OWNED BY BECKNELL INDUSTRIAL, LLC LOCATED ON OLD JONES ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTIES.**

First Reading of Ordinance Number 52-2020 was held over until after Executive Session.

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 53-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MARY HENDRICKS LOCATED AT 888 DEYOUNG ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

First Reading of Ordinance Number 53-2020 was held over until after Executive Session.

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY MARY HENDRICKS, PHIL HENDRICKS AND WILLIAM HENDRICKS LOCATED ON SHORTIE STREET BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2020 was held over until after Executive Session.

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 55-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY JAMES AND MARSHA BENNETT AND FREIDA GRAY LOCATED AT 162 LIBERTY HILL ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

First Reading of Ordinance Number 55-2020 was held over until after Executive Session.



**First Reading of Ordinance Number 56-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY JUST CALL LARRY, LLC LOCATED AT 3385 BRUSHY CREEK ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF S-1 (SERVICE DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing October 19, 2020. Larry Sinn, the owner of the property spoke.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 56-2020. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Brief discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**First Reading of Ordinance Number 57-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY RAY AND SONS INVESTMENTS LOCATED ON FORREST STREET FROM R-12 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).**

Brandon McMahan, Planner stated the Planning Commission held a public hearing September 21, 2020 and recommended approval. Neither the owner nor a representative was present.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 57-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**First Reading of Ordinance Number 58-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY OF GREER ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 5, ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 8.2, C-2, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, COMMERCIAL USES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL EXCEPTION, TO ALLOW AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT, SALES AND SERVICE.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner stated the Planning Commission held a public hearing September 21, 2020 and recommended approval.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 58-2020. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

Lengthy discussion held.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.



## **Executive Session**

### **Economic Development Matter – Project Apollo**

**ACTION** – In (7:19 p.m.) – Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss an Economic Development Matter pertaining to Project Apollo; as allowed by State Statute Section 30-4-70(a)(5). Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they considered the above matter and no action was taken.

**ACTION** - Out (7:48 p.m.) – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS (continued)**

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 52-2020**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF TWO PROPERTIES OWNED BY BECKNELL INDUSTRIAL, LLC LOCATED ON OLD JONES ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTIES.**

Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request and stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing October 19, 2020. A representative of the owner Joel Repiscak with Becknell Industrial spoke.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 52-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

### **First Reading of Ordinance Number 53-2020**

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Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request and stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing October 19, 2020. A representative was present but did not speak.



**ACTION** – Councilmember Judy Albert made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 53-2020. Councilmember Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2020**

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Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request and stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing October 19, 2020. A representative was present but did not speak.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**First Reading of Ordinance Number 55-2020**

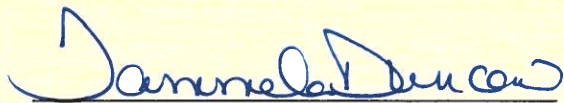
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Brandon McMahan, Planner presented the request and stated the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing October 19, 2020. A representative was present but did not speak.

**ACTION** – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 55-2020. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

**VOTE** – Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment** – 7:55 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, October 9, 2020.



**Public Forum  
Sign in**

**October 13, 2020  
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
Jane Kizer	4 Casa Loma Dr	50-2020	Oppose

# PROCLAMATION

*Mayor Danner recognizes*

## Breast Cancer Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we honor the incredible fortitude of breast cancer survivors and offer our heartfelt support and prayers to those currently battling this disease. As one Nation, we remember the precious lives lost to breast cancer and the families forever changed as a result. This month, we devote ourselves to fighting to eradicate breast cancer, working with conviction and compassion to develop treatments and find a cure; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, an estimated 276,000 Americans will be diagnosed with breast cancer, and more than 42,000 will likely die from this terrible disease. Thankfully, through early detection and improved treatments, today there is a 90 percent five-year survival rate for women diagnosed with breast cancer. Increased awareness, especially of family history and other common risk factors, preventive care, and regular screenings, including mammograms, can help save lives through early diagnosis and prompt treatment; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as we celebrate the incredible resilience of breast cancer survivors and remember those lost to this disease, we also pray for comfort and strength for those currently battling breast cancer. Together, united by compassion and resolve, we will continue in our effort to find new treatments, medications, and a cure to eradicate this disease from our nation.



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this  
seal to be affixed

Handwritten signature of Richard W. Danner in black ink.

Richard W. Danner  
Mayor

Handwritten signature of James V. Deuca in black ink.

Witness

October 13, 2020

Date