



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL October 12, 2021

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

Call to Order of the Formal Meeting Mayor Rick Danner – 6:36 P.M.

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

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 Mark Hopper

Public Forum

John Holley, 24 Bates Bridge Rd, Travelers Rest spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 48-2021. Not a citizen of the City of Greer.

Peggy Shrum, 24 Bates Bridge Rd, Travelers Rest spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 48-2021. Not a citizen of the City of Greer.

Jessica Munro, 150 Fernwood Dr., Greer spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 48-2021.

Donna Bishop, 212 Brookwood Dr., Greer spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 48-2021.

Tamara Desmond, 3010 Kelsey Creek Rd, Spartanburg spoke in opposition to Ordinance Number 48-2021.

Minutes of the Council Meeting September 28, 2021

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of September 28, 2021 be received as written. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

Special Recognition

Mayor Rick Danner and the Greer City Council presented a proclamation commending Duke

Energy for their commitment to the prosperity and advancement of the City of Greer and looks forward to continuing to work together for shared success in the future. The proclamation was received by Will Kinney with Mullikin Law Firm.

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the following:

West Phillips Road – reclamation project has begun.

Workshop – Business License Changes – is scheduled for Tuesday, October 26th at 5:30 pm prior to the regularly schedule Council Meeting.

Main Street Traffic Flow – a public meeting will be held Thursday, October 14th from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm at in City Hall to provide information regarding the routing change on Main Street. Representatives from the City of Greer, Sossamon Construction, Co Transco and South Carolina Department of Transportation will be present to answer questions that may come up.

Tryon Recreation Center – an informational meeting/community interest meeting will be held Wednesday, October 13th at 6:00 pm at Tryon Recreation Center regarding converting some tennis courts to pickleball courts.

Open Enrollment - Ends Friday, 10/29/2021.

Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Housing Authority of the City of Greer Board of Commissioners

Flora Jones term expires 10/31/2021.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood nominated Flora Jones for reappointment to the Housing Authority of the City of Greer Board of Commissioners. Councilmember Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 49-2021

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY BUTCH SIMS, JR. LOCATED AT 200 BROADUS STREET FROM C-2 (COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO R-5 (GARDEN COURT OR PATIO HOUSE DISTRICT).

Ashley Kaade, Senior Planner stated there was no new information.

ACTION – Councilmember Wayne Griffin made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 49-2021. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 50-2021
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MAJOR CHANGE TO A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT (PD) OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF GREER RELATED TO THE BLUE RIDGE PLANTATION DEVELOPMENT

Ashley Kaade, Senior Planner stated there was no new information.

ACTION – Councilmember Lee Dumas made a motion to approve Second and Final Reading of Ordinance Number 50-2021. Councilmember Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

First Reading of Resolution Number 14-2021
A RESOLUTION REQUESTING GREENVILLE COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FEE IN LIEU OF TAX AND SPECIAL SOURCE CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH PROJECT HOMECOMING; AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First Reading of Resolution Number 14-2021. Councilmember Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

First Reading of Ordinance Number 48-2021
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 (ANIMALS) OF THE CITY OF GREER CODE OF ORDINANCES

Andy Merriman, City Administrator, Police Chief Matt Hamby and Lt. Kara Blackwell presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 48-2021. Councilmember Lee Dumas seconded the motion.

Lengthy discussion held.

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 8, 2021.

VOTE – Motion carried 4-3 with Councilmembers Griffin, Bettis and Albert voting in opposition.

First Reading of Ordinance Number 51-2021

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY GREER SOUTH CAROLINA BECKNELL INVESTORS, LLC LOCATED ON DEYOUNG ROAD AND FREEMAN FARM ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF I-1 (INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTIES.

Ashley Kaade, Senior Planner presented the request. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing Tuesday, October 19th. Representatives Joel Repiscak, Senior Project Engineer with Becknell Industrial and Daniel Esteban, PE Senior Associate with Stantec appeared and spoke briefly.

ACTION – Councilmember Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 51-2021. Councilmember Mark Hopper seconded the motion.

Discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2021

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 26-2019 REGARDING PROJECT FREEMAN FARMS.

Andy Merriman, City Administrator presented the request.

ACTION – Councilmember Jay Arrowood made a motion to receive First Reading of Ordinance Number 54-2021. Councilmember Judy Albert seconded the motion.

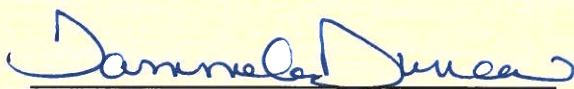
Discussion held.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

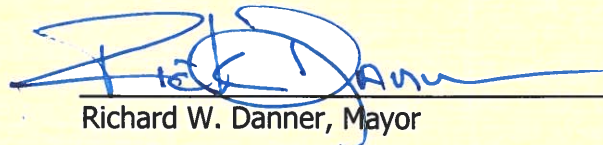
Executive Session

Mayor Danner stated an Executive Session was not needed.

Adjournment – 7:54 P.M.



Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk



Richard W. Danner, Mayor



Public Forum Sign in

**October 12, 2021
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
John Holley	24 Bates Bridge Rd	Animal Control Change	Oppose
Peggy Shrum	24 Bates Bridge Rd	Animal Control Change	Oppose
Jessica Moore	150 Fernwood Dr Greer	Animal Control Change	opposed as written
Donna Bishop	212 Brookwood Greer	Animal Control Change	Oppose
Doranna Quinlan	3016 Ketsun Circle Siburg	AC - TNR	oppose