



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL March 24, 2015

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

I. CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Rick Danner - 6:32 P.M.

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

Judy Albert 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

Councilman Jay Arrowood

III. INVOCATION

Councilman Jay Arrowood

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up to speak

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

March 10, 2015

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of March 10, 2015 be received as written. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Building and Development Standards, Finance, Fire Department, Municipal Court, Parks & Recreation, Police Department, Public Services and the Website Activity Report for **February 2015** were included in the packet for informational purposes.

Finance

David Seifert, Director of Finance and Information Technology presented the Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2015. (Attached)

The City is 8% under budget during this time period.

General Fund Revenue: \$12,839,260.
Revenue Benchmark Variance: \$909,437.
Overall Benchmark Variance: \$1,546,039.

General Fund Expenditures: \$11,400,793.
Expenditure Benchmark Variance: \$636,602.

General Fund Cash Balance: \$9,225,215.
Hospitality Fund Cash Balance: \$924,660.
Storm Water Fund Cash Balance: \$783,207.

VII. PRESENTATION

Fire Chief Chris Harvey presented his Annual Report to Council. (Attachment)

VIII. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Public Safety Appreciation Dinner – Mr. Driggers reminded Council the Chamber of Commerce will host a dinner tomorrow evening to honor our public safety officials both police and fire.

Master Plan Review – Mr. Driggers stated April 23rd we will be participating with the Partnership for Tomorrow and the Kimley Horn Consulting team to begin the Master Plan Review. The program will begin at 6:00 pm.

Classification and Compensation Study Workshop – Will be held Tuesday, April 21st please let me know the time you would like to begin. The Workshop will be held in Executive Session.

Amnesty Day – will be held Saturday, April 25th. We will provide information to our community concerning Amnesty Day. This is the opportunity to bring in items we do not normally collect at curbside.

Bailey Cunningham Cemetery (Buncombe Rd) – Many years ago we were approached by a family to maintain a private family cemetery, we agreed to do that because in the cemetery is located the first Mayor of the City of Greer. We felt it was in the public best interest for historical preservation reason. We now have a member of that family that has returned to the area, they are thanking you for your years of service in maintaining that facility but they are going to take over maintenance of the family cemetery. Mr. Driggers shared a thank you email to Council from Jan Bailey.

Executive Session

Mr. Driggers stated he had one (1) **Economic Development** matter and three (3) **Personnel** matters for consideration in Executive Session.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

**A. First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 4-2015
ALLOCATION OF GREENVILLE COUNTY CDBG AND HOME FUNDS FOR
PROGRAM YEAR 2015**

Mike Sell, Assistant City Administrator presented the information. Martin Livingston, Executive Director of Greenville County Redevelopment Authority also spoke. (Attachment)

Discussion held.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to receive First and Final Reading of Resolution Number 4-2015. Councilman Jay Arrowood seconded the motion.

Discussion continued.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis amended his motion to accept the sub-recipient funding recommendations but to move \$1000.00 from Greer Community Ministries and \$1000.00 from Greer Relief and placing the \$2000.00 into the City of Greer Needmore Summer Camp. Councilman Jay Arrowood amended his second.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

**B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-2015
AN ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE
AND SALE OF CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA, COMBINED UTILITY
SYSTEM REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2015, IN THE PRINCIPAL
AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$4,700,000; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR
CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE GREER
COMMISSION OF PUBLIC WORKS TO DETERMINE CERTAIN MATTERS WITH
RESPECT TO THE BONDS; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE
BONDS; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.**

Chuck Reynolds, Finance Manager for Greer Commission of Public Works presented the ordinance.

ACTION - Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 13-2015. Councilman Wayne Griffin seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Bid Summary – Playground poured in place Safety Surface
The Parks and Recreation Department would like to award the installation of a traditional poured in place safety surface in the playground at Greer City Park to Creative Playscapes, located in Matthews, NC. The area to be surfaced is underneath an existing play structure with an approximate area of 3,900 square feet. This includes the removal of the existing loose fill shredded rubber, felt fabric material, drainage stone and plastic barriers.**

The awarded vendor will also provide and install wear mats for existing slides and climbing apparatus. Project construction and complete clean-up must be accomplished by April 18, 2015.

Ann Cunningham, Director of Parks and Recreation presented the bid summary for the playground poured in place safety surface. (Attachment)

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to accept the bid from Creative Playscapes in the amount of \$42,610.92. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rick Danner stated an Executive Session was needed to receive information on one **(1) Economic Development** matter and three **(3) Personnel** matters.

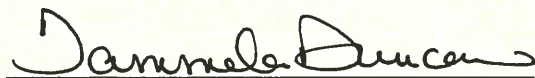
ACTION - In (7:30 p.m.) - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to go into Executive Session to receive information as stated by the Mayor. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.


Mayor Danner stated during Executive Session they received information on one **(1) Economic Development** matter and three **(3) Personnel** matters and no action would be needed.

ACTION - Out (8:28 p.m.) - Councilman Wayne Griffin made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

8:29 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 20, 2015.

