



CITY OF GREER, SOUTH CAROLINA

MINUTES of the FORMAL MEETING of GREER CITY COUNCIL February 14, 2017

MEETING LOCATION: Greer City Hall, 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, Kimberly Bookert, Lee Dumas, Wryley Bettis and Judy Albert.

Councilman 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.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mayor Rick Danner

III. INVOCATION Mayor Rick Danner

IV. PUBLIC FORUM No one sign up to speak

V. MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING January 24, 2017

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion that the minutes of January 24, 2017 be received as written. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE - Motion carried unanimously.

VI. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ed Driggers, City Administrator presented the following:

Activity Items:

Greater Greer Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting – is scheduled for Thursday, February 16th. We are a table sponsor.

Council Planning Retreat – is scheduled for March 7th (Tuesday) & 8th (Wednesday). We have several topics to discuss and it will be a full 2 days. Additional information regarding the time will come out shortly. If you have items for discussion, please let me know.

Permitting Process – we making procedural changes to our permitting process. We are estimating it will impact approximately 10% of our permits. 90% will continue as it has previously. We are trying to mainstream the process. The changes will be communicated to the public. If you receive any questions or concerns from anyone we will be happy to assist them.

Election Commission Seat – reminder filing will begin in July for the 3 council seats with the election in November. We need to get the appointment filled as soon as possible.

Kelli McCormick, Planner – was introduced to Council.

State Legislation – Mr. Driggers and David Seifert updated Council on House Bill 3650 and House Bill 3651. Both are directly related to the local ability to have a business license program and collect a business license. The impact to the City's workforce was discussed. A lengthy discussion was held.

Executive Session

Mr. Driggers stated he had no items for consideration during Executive Session.

VII. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. Elections Commission

Alvetia Williams term expired 12/31/2016

No nominations were made.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading of Ordinance Number 2-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY ELLS HOLDINGS, LLC LOCATED ON WADE HAMPTON BOULEVARD AND TRYON STREET FROM C-3 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT).

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator and Kelli McCormick, Planner presented the ordinance. The Planning Commission, Public Hearing was held January 30, 2017, no one spoke in favor or opposition to the request. The Planning Commission recommended approval. Kevin Connelly, Connelly Development LLC spoke to Council regarding the request.

Brief discussion held.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 2-2017. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

B. First Reading of Ordinance Number 3-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF A PORTION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY SRMC VENTURES LLC LOCATED AT 311 B STREET BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF RS (RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing February 20, 2017 for the request. Neither the owner nor a representative was present.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 3-2017. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

C. First Reading of Ordinance Number 4-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY GREENVILLE OFFICE PARK, LLC LOCATED AT 140 OAK SPRINGS DRIVE, 220 J STREET, 240 J STREET, PART OF LOT 122 J STREET, 150 J STREET, AND LOT 8 J STREET BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing February 20, 2017 for the request. Neither the owner nor a representative was present.

ACTION - Councilman Jay Arrowood made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 4-2017. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

D. First Reading of Ordinance Number 5-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY JONES AVENUE PARTNERS, LLC LOCATED ON JONES AVENUE BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF RM-2 (RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. The Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing February 20, 2017 for the request. Indu Vakharia, Jones Avenue Partners, LLC spoke to Council regarding the request.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 5-2017. Councilwoman Judy Albert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

E. First Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY OWNED BY LAVERN T. MILLER, DARLENE T. DOCKINS, JEFFERY WADE THOMPSON AND DENISE THOMPSON BARRETT LOCATED AT 3006 BRUSHY CREEK ROAD BY ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PETITION; AND TO ESTABLISH A ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF DRD (DESIGN REVIEW DISTRICT) FOR SAID PROPERTY

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator stated the owner is requesting to table the request, due diligence is needed regarding the sewer.

ACTION - Councilman Wryley Bettis made a motion to hold over First Reading of Ordinance Number 6-2017. Councilwoman Kimberly Bookert seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

F. First Reading of Ordinance Number 7-2017

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTIES OWNED BY HUONG T. TRAN AND MAI THO P. TRAN LOCATED AT 813 NORTH MAIN STREET FROM R-12 (RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - SINGLE FAMILY) TO C-2 (COMMERCIAL DISTRICT).

Glenn Pace, Planning and Zoning Coordinator presented the ordinance. The Planning Commission, Public Hearing was held November 20, 2016, no one spoke in favor or opposition to the request. The owner was present but did not speak. The Planning Commission recommended approval.

ACTION - Councilman Lee Dumas made a motion to approve First Reading of Ordinance Number 7-2017. Councilman Wryley Bettis seconded the motion.

VOTE – Motion carried unanimously.

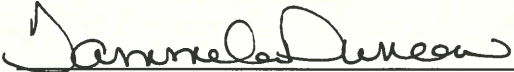
IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Rick Danner stated an Executive Session was not needed.

X. ADJOURNMENT

7:46 P.M.


Richard W. Danner, Mayor


Tammela Duncan, Municipal Clerk

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, February 10, 2017.

