



COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023

The Columbia City Council conducted a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. The following members of Council were present: The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem, The Honorable William Brennan, The Honorable Aditi Bussells and The Honorable Tina N. Herbert. Also present were Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Moore Hammond, City Clerk. This meeting was advertised in accordance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND INVOCATION

Mayor Rickenmann led City Council in a moment of silence in honor of their colleague, The Honorable Joe Earl Taylor, Jr. who unfortunately passed away on December 29, 2023.

The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr. offered the invocation.

RESOLUTION

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we appreciate you being willing to gather at this very difficult time. I know that Councilman Taylor would expect us to do the business that we have before us in order to ensure that the citizens of Columbia in District Four are duly represented. Unfortunately, these are some of the tasks ahead of us to move forward with a special election on March 28, 2023. As you consider this resolution, I respectfully ask that you strike from the last sentence “on or before Friday, January 6, 2023 and again not later than Friday, January 20, 2023”. You have my reassurance that the notice will be in *The State Newspaper* in advance of the filing date. We are still working with Richland County to validate the precincts and to ensure that everything is proper. We will be well within state law to get all of that done.

1. Resolution No.: R-2023-003 - Authorizing Notice of Special Election for City Council District 4 – *Approved as amended.*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. McDowell, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2023-003 - Authorizing Notice of Special Election for City Council District 4, as amended to strike “on or before Friday, January 6, 2023 and again not later than Friday, January 20, 2023” from the last paragraph so that it reads:



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to publish Notice of the Election in conformity with State Law in The State Newspaper and the City Clerk is directed to provide a copy of such notice to the South Carolina Ethics Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Erika D. Moore Hammond, CMC
City Clerk