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COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020

The Columbia City Council conducted a virtual meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020 using Video Conferencing Technology. The Honorable Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and the following members of Council were present: The Honorable Sam Davis, The Honorable Tameika Isaac Devine, The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tempore Edward H. McDowell, Jr., The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, and The Honorable William Brennan. 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.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Edward H. McDowell, Jr. offered the invocation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted unanimously to approve the adoption of the agenda, as presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to enter into **Executive Session** at 2:07 p.m. for the discussion of **Items 1** and **2** as outlined.

1. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements pursuant to S. C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

COVID-19 Testing

2. Receipt of legal advice related to matters covered by attorney-client privilege pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

Legal advice pertaining to COVID-19

Council adjourned the Executive Session at 4:25 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS DISCUSSED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

No matters were considered at this time.



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EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr. left the virtual meeting.

Councilor Devine said the video the Police Department did thanking our citizens during this time was really well done. I want to tell the chief and his staff, good job and I appreciate them doing that. I have heard a lot of great comments from the public.

3. Ordinance No.: 2020-036 Emergency Order Incorporating the Governor's Executive Order of Non-Essential Business Listing into Ordinance No.: 2020-034 Stay Home Stay Safe - *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Davis, Council voted unanimously to approve Ordinance No.: 2020-036 Emergency Order Incorporating the Governor's Executive Order of Non-Essential Business Listing into Ordinance No.: 2020-034 Stay Home Stay Safe.

Mayor Benjamin said we look forward to continuing to work with the state government and other interested parties to save lives as we work through these difficult times.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Ms. Devine, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Erika D. Moore, CMC
City Clerk