



COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019

WORK SESSION - 2:00 P.M.

The Columbia City Council conducted a Work Session on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. and the following members of Council were present: The Honorable Moe Baddourah, The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr., and The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann. The Honorable Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin and The Honorable Sam Davis were absent. Also present were Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager, and Ms. Erika D. Moore, City Clerk. This meeting was advertised in accordance to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. The minutes are numbered to coincide with the order of the meeting.

INVOCATION

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

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION

1. 2020 Census Complete Count Committee - Ms. Chynna Phillips, MSW, MPH Research & Policy Manager for the Sisters of Charity Foundation of South Carolina – *This item was deferred.*

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET WORKSHOP

2. General Fund - Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said this discussion is going to center around the budget alternates and revenue generation options. Some of those revenue generating options require more due diligence like audits of various entities and their business license payments. We can estimate an increase of \$2 million now, but there are bigger ticket items that you have directed us to look into. Hopefully we'll have information to discuss with some of those entities and/or go through an audit process by January. We are \$3 million out of balance. The second option is a public safety fee that we could implement now as well. This fee would be charged to everybody. The direction of this Council was to focus on those non-taxable entities. It could potentially generate \$2.5 million. It's \$5 per month, per parcel. We are going to tie that to various public safety initiatives that we need to do right now. The third option by January, will factor in the audit with the business license approach as well as the non-taxable entities. That would give us



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the option to factor in other personnel driven public safety needs. We need a smorgasbord approach.

Councilor Duvall asked if we would go ahead and amend the business license ordinance to remove the exemption for a nonprofit.

Councilor Baddourah said yes.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we can do that, but the work still has to be done.

Councilor Rickenmann said we have to audit business licenses and properties and take a look at what other cities are doing. We have to bring everybody to a level playing field. If we are looking at a user fee, then it needs to go to the general fund so that it can affect other things. We have over a billion dollars in higher education off of the tax rolls. A lot of property has changed hands and no longer has a nonprofit status. We are looking for money to pay for the basics; water and sewer is not the place for that. The audit is our first step.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager asked if Council would like to pass the ordinance as we start the audit process.

Councilor Rickenmann said yes and I would go ahead and repeal the other part. That's step one.

Councilor McDowell asked to hear more about the public safety fee.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said the public safety fee applies to everyone and wasn't initially what you all directed.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director explained that departments prepared their budgets with the goal of providing high quality municipal services as guided by the Envision Columbia focus areas. The requested budget is not the proposed City Manager's budget. It reflects the requests from departments minus reductions for new or expanded programs. The current service levels and programming are being maintained. The budget is not in balance. The total proposed general fund revenues and transfers-in is \$152 million, which is a 2.7% increase. Property taxes is the single largest source of revenue in the general fund. We are not comfortable that revenue from property taxes is growing at a level to sustain growth in the overall budget. There is not a proposed property tax increase in this budget. There is a \$1.6 million reduction in franchise fees, but the enhanced enforcement of our current business license ordinances will result in a net increase of \$722,000.



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Councilor Duvall said the businesses that come into the City to service industries like the hospitals and others may be another good source of revenue. We may need to discuss the reassessment as a possible revenue source, because we have a way of recouping three years of millage.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said it's hard to get the millage back, particularly when this body has not raised taxes in over ten years. Not raising taxes incrementally or rolling back the millage is not the most responsible approach. I think you have to do both.

Councilor Rickenmann said we haven't increased the millage rate, but we have gone up on everything else.

Councilor Devine concurred with Mr. Duvall and Ms. Wilson.

Councilor Baddourah said this is the year to make it a reality. Everybody has to pay their share.

Councilor McDowell said as it relates now to churches and day care centers, the conversation is more intensive and intentional. If we sway off of that course, then we get back into a laissez-faire kind of situation. We are more driven now to put those kinds of options on the table.

Councilor Baddourah said these options have been on the table. We are careful about churches and we can take churches out of the ordinance. We always struggle to find ways to put fees on nonprofits so they can contribute to government.

Councilor Duvall said the taxing of nonprofits or governmental entities has been before every City Council in South Carolina for decades. None of them have come up with an answer. There is no answer for it. You need to listen to our staff and come up with things they can do.

Councilor Rickenmann said the State has given us an avenue and more than one accountant has shown me the path on how to get there.

Councilor Baddourah said Columbia is a unique City with 65% or more properties not contributing to our tax base or expenses to run this government. I'm not going to put another \$5 fee on residents who are already paying 100% of the City's expenses to operate our services. We cannot keep adding more fees and taxes to people who are already paying their fair share.



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Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director highlighted the City's revenue streams and where we have increases. The requested budget totals \$155 million, which is a 5% increase. It is out of balance by \$3.3 million. We are trying to maintain services within the budget that will be passed. We started out with a \$13 million deficit. Through additional adjustments to revenue and expenditures, we brought the deficit down to \$3.3 million. We've made \$5.5 million reductions in new and expanded programs. We started out with \$2 million for potential Cost of Living Adjustments or merits and we scaled that back to \$1 million dollars in anticipation of doing a mid-year implementation.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager explained that we initiated the merit system again this prior fiscal year. We've re-educated staff and now they are on a simultaneous evaluation system in September of every year. We are showing you the things that we will lose. We were going to put \$80,000 for Quiet Zones in the Council requested projects [line item]. There have been discussions with State Legislators who proposed that we are at a \$500,000 level contribution. There are other Council requested projects, too. This year the Council requested projects line item was used for the ShotSpotter implementation.

Councilor Baddourah said we should issue a \$5 million GO Bond to build Fire Station 2 for \$4 million and allocate \$1 million to Quiet Zones. Maybe we can get other agencies to contribute to the first phase of the Quiet Zones. You all can determine if the general fund can support payments.

Mr. Jeff Palen, Assistant City Manager / Chief Financial Officer said our legal capacity at the end of the year was \$15 million, but that doesn't mean that we have the revenue in place to make a payment on those bonds.

There was a brief discussion about the anticipated payment on a \$5 million GO bond.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director continued to report that there is no funding in this year's or next year's budget for general capital project needs. We are showing \$170,000 for the proposed affordable housing incentives.

Councilor Rickenmann said we have so much residential property that's being held by our CDC's. Why aren't we using that instead of cash. We can put water meters in and have the property ready to go as incentives for builders to construct affordable housing.



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Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said there are quality of life and code enforcement issues that may impede marketing efforts for those particular houses. I encourage our development corporations to take opportunities to do it. We are taking that approach in our targeted areas.

Ms. Melissa Gentry, Assistant City Manager said on behalf of the Columbia Housing Development Corporation, Two Notch Development Corporation, and the Eau Claire Development Corporation, Michael Strange is working with builders to incentivize the construction of houses. A lot of those lots are not attractive to a developer or purchaser. Some issues are drainage related. He is working hard to encourage several developers to work with the corporations.

Councilor Devine said she met with Earl [McLeod] six months ago and he seemed willing to get his membership together. This might be the time for Gloria or Michael to spearhead that conversation with developers who might be willing to come to the table to develop a community service blitz. Lexington has been aggressive in working with non-profits.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we didn't want Council to think we've forgotten the direction of capturing the student housing increment and segregating that for affordable housing.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director noted that we have a number of budgeted external requests that have requested increases. The Public Defender requested \$225,000. The Solicitor requested \$343,498. The budget reflects their current allocation. The current rate for the Detention Center is \$55 and it is going up to \$71 starting July 1st. After this, the rate will be equivalent to their cost of service.

Councilor Rickenmann asked City Manager Wilson to request the last two years of financials for the Alvin S. Glenn Detention Center. I would like to discuss the contract at the appropriate time.

Councilor Baddourah inquired about the overall budget increase for the Detention Center.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said we budgeted the same amount this year as we will next year. There are other external requests for services the City has either contracted or agreed to fund and those are being maintained at \$1 million. She presented challenges and opportunities for general fund revenues. There are approximately 46,000 parcels in Richland County, of which 4,300 are non-taxed parcels. The tax assessed value is \$12.8 billion with 27% of that being non-taxable. The largest source of non-taxed parcels are homeowners and homestead exemptions.



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There was an in-depth discussion on how to proceed with an audit.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said the audit of parcels will be a collaborative effort. The Public Safety Fee will address our public safety costs and help support public safety initiatives. We are proposing a \$5 per month fee that will address public safety costs and be used for public safety equipment and technology. If implemented on July 1st, we project that it will generate \$2.5 million. This will be added to the water bill.

Councilor Rickenmann said the bulk of the people who will be paying this are paying for it already.

Councilor Baddourah suggested that we use the same formula as the one used to determine the storm water fee.

There was an in-depth discussion about funding for park rangers for Bull Street and greenway expansions. This discussion included the cost of maintenance for the Bull Street Park and other City parks along with repairs at Finlay Park.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director reiterated that the Public Safety fee would be used for a number of items that are not in the budget at this time.

Councilor Devine noted that the list includes security camera upgrades, ShotSpotter, and competitiveness at \$1.9 million. Will the \$2.5 million cover these things? We need to be very specific about what it is going to cover.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said those are items we need to consider. They cost more than \$2.5 million per year.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we tried to be transparent. The only way citizens would agree to whichever option we go with, is if they know specifically what it's paying for. I think some of you have said that as well.

Councilor Devine said we should look at a higher dollar amount and possible a rebate for current property owners.



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Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said we will be sending out the budget public hearing notice tomorrow. The public safety fee will require its own public hearing. We are seeking direction as to what to consider in terms of scheduling.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we are putting everything on the table. I don't want to do the audit and then we're not able to move forward. It's worth having the discussion. The items won't change for Public Safety. The quality of life element of Code Enforcement is a part of Public Safety. Public Works has piloted a program in some of our more challenged areas without added resources.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director clarified that the Public Safety fee would not be used to balance this budget. She distributed a list of general fund budget options outlining the revenue adjustments/increases and expenditure reductions. The non-profit business license will be based on the ordinance changes to allow for non-profit entities to be charged a fee. We do not have an estimated amount of revenue that will be generated. Last year, we were trying to reduce our reliance on fund balance. We propose to use \$3 million in fund balance in the 19/20 budget. The enhanced business license enforcement doesn't require an ordinance change, but it will require the use of an auditing firm. We are forecasting \$2 million in revenue from that effort. The revenue adjustments would generate \$3.2 million in revenue. She reviewed the expenditure reductions in departmental budgets that total \$5.6 million.

Councilor Rickenmann asked if we can use the feedback we received from Columbia Compass in lieu of the citizens' survey.

Councilor Devine suggested that the Office of Business Opportunities conduct a joint Disparity Study with Richland County and the University.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director reviewed the non-departmental expenditure reductions totaling \$1.7 million.

Councilor Devine clarified that the enhanced business license enforcement and additional fund balance is already included.

Councilor Duvall suggested that Council reinstitute the water transfer. It takes into consideration that 75% of the water fee is paid from people outside City limits. Everybody pays the water bill. We could do it without having a detrimental effect on the water and sewer fund. The Legal Department can do it by adding a line to our budget. We are going through a futile exercise if we



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expect our staff to come up with a miracle that no other staff in the State of South Carolina has been able to do.

Councilor Rickenmann suggested we put it on the agenda and vote for it publicly. I'm not voting for a water and sewer transfer because it doesn't solve the issue. It is not generating enough money to afford bonding. It doesn't hit the non-tax paying entities at any level like commercial and residential properties are paying.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director explained that the non-profit business fee is separate and apart. About 10,000 business licenses were issued in 2018 with 5,900 being in-City and 3,800 being out of City businesses. The options for non-profits are a letter of agreement for services; payment in lieu of taxes for higher education and hospitals/medical services; a BID for higher education campuses; and a business license fee that will be charged to business type activities that currently receive a no-fee business license.

Councilor Devine said once we lay this out, some of the churches would recognize that there's a fair share they should be paying.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said this conversation is to be continued. The revised ordinance changes will come to Council.

3. Hospitality Tax Fund - Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said we are proposing that the Hospitality Tax budget remain flat at \$12.1 million. Revenues are not keeping up with this year's projections. We are not projecting any fund balance at this point. Several line item agencies requested increases. Those are not reflected in the budget. The budget includes \$2.1 million for the committee allocation and \$3.7 million for the general fund transfer.

4. Accommodations Tax Fund - Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said we are proposing a \$2.6 million Accommodations Tax budget, which is a 3.5% increase. State law determines how much, where, and what you can allocate. City Council has designated 85% of those funds to Experience Columbia SC/CVB and 15% goes to Lake Murray Country Regional Tourism Board; \$25,000 is transferred to the general fund; and 5% is for general purposes.



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Councilor Rickenmann inquired about funding for One Columbia and suggested that their funding be discussed along with the economic development partners.

Ms. Melisa Caughman, Budget and Program Management Director said we will advertise the budget public hearing tomorrow for June 11, 2019.

There was an in-depth discussion about next steps for the alternate revenue options.

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5. The COMET's Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Budget Presentation - Mr. John C. Andoh, Executive Director/CEO for The COMET

Mr. John C. Andoh, Executive Director/CEO for The COMET explained that in compliance with State law §58-25-70, as a regional transportation authority, we need each member government to approve our proposed operating and capital budget. We are a governmental agency that provides public transit services in Richland and Lexington Counties. Member agencies include the City of Columbia, City of Forest Acres, Richland County, and Lexington County. Our brand is the The COMET, which provides fixed route and paratransit services on 34 routes with 2 reflex services. We have a subsidy program with Lyft and Uber. We fund 10 bike share stations in the City of Columbia. We transport 2.8 million passenger trips per year on 81 buses. We run 7-days a week/365-days a year. We have 12 employees. We contract out our transit operations to Transdev for approximately \$15 million. We are projecting a \$29 million budget: \$23 million is the operating budget and \$6 million is the capital budget. He continued to outline the components of the operating budget. He asked for City Council's approval of the budget.

There was a consensus of Council to invite Mr. Andoh to the June 11, 2019 Council Meeting for further consideration of the budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 4:46 p.m. for the discussion of **Item 7** through **Item 9**. The discussion of **Item 6** was deferred.



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6. Discussion of employment of an employee pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - *Municipal Court Judges*
 - *Organizational Structure*
 7. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - *Greenway Easements*
 - *Capital City Stadium*
 - *Town of Eastover*
 - *Vertical Construction Project*
 8. Receipt of legal advice related to matters covered by attorney-client privilege pursuant to §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - *Receptacle Requirements*
 - *Lower Richland Sewer*
 9. Discussion of matters relating to proposed location or expansion of services to encourage location or expansion of industries or other businesses pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)
 - *Development Incentives*

COUNCIL MEETING - 6:00 P.M.

The Columbia City Council conducted a meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201. The Honorable Mayor Pro-Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. and the following members of Council were present: The Honorable Moe Baddourah, The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr., and The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann. The Honorable Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin and The Honorable Sam Davis were absent. Also present were Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager and Ms. Erika D. Moore, City Clerk. This meeting was advertised in accordance to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Reverend Dr. Chris Leevy Johnson, Pastor of Brookland Baptist Church Northeast Campus offered the invocation.



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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended to defer consideration of **Item 22** (*Utility Relocation Project*).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

10. Council is asked to approve the April 2, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to approve the April 2, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 11 THROUGH 24

Upon a motion made by Mr. Baddourah and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve the **Consent Agenda Items 11** through **21, 23**, and **24**.

11. Council is asked to approve the Reinstatement and First Amendment to Service Agreement for the City of Columbia's Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program, as requested by the Legal Department. Award to Planned Administrators, Inc., as the Third Party Administrator in the amount of \$129,240.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Workers' Comp Administration 6098939-636200 Insurance and Bonding

12. Council is asked to approve the Reinstatement and First Amendment to Service Agreement for the City of Columbia's Self-Insured Tort Liability Program, as requested by the Legal Department. Award to Planned Administrators, Inc., as a Third Party Administrator in the amount of \$231,550.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Claims-Automobile 6088938-645100, Claims-General Tort 6038932-645100, and Claims-Sewer 6068936-645100



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13. Council is asked to approve the purchase of Thirteen (13) Astro Radios, as requested by the Fire Department. Award to Motorola Solutions, using the SC State Contract# 4400021163 in the amount of \$90,896.97. The vendor is located in Sumter, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Fire Administration: Radio Equipment 1012301-627800; Fire Prevention: Radio Equipment 1012302-627800; and Fire Suppression: Radio Equipment 1012303-627800. The total budgeted amount is \$103,480.00.

14. Council is asked to approve the purchase of Twenty-Two (22) GETAC Computers and Software for the Police Department, as requested by the Fleet Services Department. Award to SYNEX Corporation, using the GSA Contract #GS-35F-0143R in the amount of \$96,634.08. The vendor is located in Greenville, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Capital Replacement; Computer Equipment/Hardware; 6308972-627500. The original budgeted amount is \$101,502.48.

15. Council is asked to approve the purchase of Trench Boxes and Modular Shields for Wastewater Management, as requested by Columbia Water. Award to United Rentals, using the Choice Partners Cooperative Contract #18/072KC-06 in the amount of \$88,092.39. The vendor is located in Columbia, SC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Utilities Maintenance: Machinery & Equipment-Capital 5516205-658300. The original budgeted amount is \$88,092.39.

16. Council is asked to approve the purchase of a Wheel Loader (Claw) for the Solid Waste Department, as requested by the Fleet Services Department. Award to Blanchard Machinery, Inc., using the SC State Contract #4400018718 in the amount of \$151,272.00. The vendor is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Solid Waste; Capital Replacement; Auto, Trucks, Hvy-Equip-Capital; 6308972- 658500. The original budgeted amount is \$167,940.00.

17. Council is asked to approve the purchase of a Bomb Response Vehicle F-550 Chassis for the Police/Special OPS Department, as requested by the Fleet Services Department. Award to Sirchie, Inc., using the GSA Contract #GS-07F-007DA in the amount of \$327,043.25. The vendor is located in Youngsville, N.C. - *Approved*

Funding Source: Police/Special OPS; Capital Replacement; Auto, Trucks, Hvy-Equip-Capital; 6308972- 658500. The original budgeted amount is \$327,043.25.



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18. Council is asked to approve a Contract for a 6" Water Main Construction along Swygert Road as requested by Columbia Water. Award to Carolina Tap & Bore, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$224,088.00, which includes contingency funding. This firm is located in West Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: 5529999-WM446301-658650. The original budgeted amount is \$340,300.00.

This is a Mentor Protégé Program project. Carolina Tap & Bore, Inc. of West Columbia, SC is the mentor and will be performing 60% (\$111,740.00) of the total contract value. Northeast Backflow of Lugoff, SC is the protégé and will be performing 40% (\$75,000.00) of the total contract value.

The following supplier will provide additional services:

Fortiline Waterworks of Columbia, SC will provide supplies/materials for the project valued at \$50,000.00. This amount is included in the mentor's (Carolina Tap & Bore, Inc.) portion (\$111,740.00.00) of the total contract value.

19. Council is asked to approve Contract Amendment #1 to the Indefinite Delivery Contract for Engineering Services related to Wastewater Flood Recovery and Flood DR4241, as requested by Columbia Water. Award to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for this addition, and a total project cost not to exceed \$750,000.00. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: 2531706-638400 (Flood Recovery Account). The City and its Disaster Recovery Program Management Team are seeking federal reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) for these services. The original budgeted amount is \$500,000.00. Additional funding to come from 2531706-638400 (Flood Recovery Account) in the amount of \$250,000.00

20. Council is asked to approve a Construction Change Order# 6 for Project SS7280; Rocky Branch Basin Sewer Rehabilitation, as requested by Columbia Water. Award to IPR Southeast, LLC in the amount of \$315,116.56. This firm is located in Stone Mountain, GA. - *Approved*

Funding Source: SS728801 (Unforeseen & Miscellaneous Projects) 5529999-SS728001-658650 SS728001 Rocky Branch Basin Sewer Rehabilitation. The contract price including Construction Change Orders to date is \$9,943,324.94. With approval of this Construction Change Order increase, the revised awarded contract amount will be \$10,258,441.50.

The original contract has Protégé services provided by Holzheimer Construction, Inc. at 31% (\$3,000,000.00) of the original contract value. The original budget amount for this change order is \$315,116.56.



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21. Council is asked to approve a Contract for Lake Katherine Water Main Construction as requested by Columbia Water. Award to LAD Construction, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$3,640,490.15, which includes contingency funding. This firm is located in Swansea, SC. - *Approved*

Funding Source: 5529999-658650-WM4000-02. The original budget amount is \$5,325,895.00.

This is a Mentor Protégé Program project. LAD Construction, LLC of Swansea, SC is the mentor and will be performing water line work at 80% (\$2,647,629.20) of the total contract value. J. A. Mabus of Batesburg, SC is the protégé and will be providing demolition, water line work, flowable fill, and service connection services at 20% (\$661,907.30) of the total contract value.

The following supplier/vendor will be providing additional supplies/materials:

Ferguson Waterworks of Elgin, SC will be providing water line materials valued at \$755,645.00. This amount is included in the mentor's portion of the total contract value.

22. Council is asked to authorize increased funding for Utility Relocation and Upgrade Services for Water and Wastewater Improvements for Fiscal Year 2019/2020, as requested by Columbia Water. Award to the following three consultants in the total amount of \$3,547,394.12. – *Consideration of this item was deferred.*

Funding Source: 5529999-SS751401-658650 - \$509,382.00, 5529999-WM448901-658650 - \$170,416.00, 5529999-WM449001-658650 - \$815,958.00, 5529999-SS751501-658650 - \$202,920.00, 5529999-WM449201-658650 - \$546,441.50, 5529999-WM449101-658650 - \$91,080.00, 5529999-WM432319-658650 - \$977,888.31 / 5529999-SS609919-658650 - \$233,308.31. The total amount of funding allocated to the work orders associated with local utility relocation projects will be \$5,827,394.12.

Below is the information provided for each consultant under the original approved RFQ:

CDM Smith Inc. has headquarters in Boston, MA and a local office in Columbia, SC. CDM Smith, Inc. proposed to utilize 2% SBE, 10% MBE, and 8% WBE for sub consultant services.

Hazen and Sawyer has headquarters in New York, NY and a local office in Columbia, SC. Hazen and Sawyer proposed to utilize 10% MBE and 15% WBE for sub consultant services.

Michael Baker International, Inc. has headquarters in Pittsburgh, PA and a local office in Columbia, SC. Michael Baker International, Inc. proposed to utilize 5% SBE, 8% MBE, and 15% WBE for sub consultant services.

23. Resolution No.: R-2019-044 Authorizing consumption of beer and wine only within Boyd Plaza adjacent to the Columbia Museum of Art for the Adult Summer Camp End of Season Party on Friday, July 26, 2019 - *Approved*
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24. Resolution No.: R-2019-045 Authorizing consumption of beer and wine only within Boyd Plaza adjacent to the Columbia Museum of Art for the Boyd Plaza Sonatas with The SC Phil on Tuesdays, June 4, 2019 and June 11, 2019 - *Approved*

PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager took a moment of personal privilege to present City Clerk Erika Moore with a token of appreciation in honor of Municipal Clerk's Week.

25. American Public Works Week - The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine and the members of City Council proclaimed May 19-25, 2019 as Public Works Week in the City of Columbia.

26. Tree City USA Award Presentation - Ms. Sara Hollar, Deputy Public Works Director

Ms. Sara Hollar, Deputy Public Works Director announced that the City of Columbia has been designated a Tree City USA Award recipient for forty years. We've had this designation the longest out of all cities in South Carolina. To qualify, you must have a forestry department that's responsible for the care and maintenance of your trees; enact a tree ordinance; spend at least \$2 per person on tree maintenance; and our Arbor Day celebration. We will continue to receive this designation for years to come.

27. Cardinal Newman Women's Track and Field Team Day - The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine and the members of City Council proclaimed Tuesday, May 21, 2019 as Cardinal Newman Women's Track and Field Team Day in the City of Columbia.



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28. Cardinal Newman Men's Track and Field Team Day - The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Tameika Isaac Devine and the members of City Council proclaimed Tuesday, May 21, 2019 as Cardinal Newman Men's Track and Field Team Day in the City of Columbia.

29. Update from the Columbia City Ballet - Mr. William Starrett, Artistic Director / Columbia City Ballet

Mr. William Starrett, Artistic Director for the Columbia City Ballet reported that last year was the best season in our 58-year history. We had 65,000 patrons. We attribute that to our hospitality tax funding, which is 7.5% of our annual budget. We know that \$28 is spent per person above and beyond the ticket purchase. The organization reached 16,000 children last year with its educational outreach series in partnership with fantastic corporations. Next year, we are doing a brand new children's performance of The Grinch and Beauty and the Beast. In the fall, we'll have Ballet with a Bite, the Nutcracker, Body and Movement Explored, a Valentine's Day Celebration, The Great Gatsby, and Cinderella. We've been invited to perform Off the Wall in Augusta, Savannah, and Charlotte. We've had a stellar year. Thanks for your support.

30. Update from Fast Forward - Ms. Dee Albritton, Executive Director of Fast Forward

Ms. Dee Albritton, Executive Director of Fast Forward thanked Council for their support over the last 19-years. We will celebrate our 20th Anniversary in October. For every dollar the City has contributed, we've been able to match it by \$4 to \$5. We received a 6-month grant from the Midlands Workforce Development Board. We will be working on digital literacy with 100 people. By working with Gloria Saeed, we've been able to strengthen our partnerships with other agencies in the City. We will be implementing labs at these agencies. About 90% of the people we work with either start out here or move here. Since July 1st, we've placed over 140 homeless men and women into employment. We still struggle with affordable housing and many seniors are struggling with student loan debt.

PUBLIC HEARING & FIRST READING FOR ZONING / PLANNING MATTERS - 7:00 P.M.

Council opened the Public Hearing for Zoning/Planning Matters at 7:03 p.m.



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31. ANNEXATION, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 6313 North Main Street, 6315 North Main Street, 6317 North Main Street, 6319 North Main Street, 6319A North Main Street, 6323 North Main Street, 6325 North Main Street, 6327 North Main Street, and 6329 North Main Street; TMS# 11712-04-03 – *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2019-031 - Annexing and Incorporating 6313 North Main Street, 6315 North Main Street, 6317 North Main Street, 6319 North Main Street. 6323 North Main Street, 6325 North Main Street, 6327 North Main Street. 6329 North Main Street, and 6331 North Main Street, Richland County TMSU 11712-04-03 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 1

Proposal: Request to annex, assign land use classification of Urban Core Community Activity Center (UCAC-2) and assign zoning of General Commercial District (C-3). The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned General Commercial District (GC) by Richland County.

Applicant: Alpine of S.C., Inc.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 04/01/2019; Approval (7-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment* for 6313 North Main Street, 6315 North Main Street, 6317 North Main Street, 6319 North Main Street, 6319A North Main Street, 6323 North Main Street, 6325 North Main Street, 6327 North Main Street, and 6329 North Main Street; TMS# 11712-04-03 **and** Ordinance No.: 2019-031 - Annexing and Incorporating 6313 North Main Street, 6315 North Main Street, 6317 North Main Street, 6319 North Main Street. 6323 North Main Street, 6325 North Main Street, 6327 North Main Street. 6329 North Main Street, and 6331 North Main Street, Richland County TMS# 11712-04-03 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015.



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32. ANNEXATION, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 160.87-acre portion of 300 Clemson Road; TMS# 25700-02-03 (p) – *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2019-029 - Annexing and Incorporating 300 Clemson Road, Richland County TMS# 25700-02-03(p) into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex, assign land use classification of Urban Edge Residential Small Lot and Urban Edge Mixed Residential (UER-1 and UEMR) and assign zoning of General Residential District (RG-1). The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and Mixed Use Corridor and zoned Rural District (RU) by Richland County.

Applicant: Lee Lorick Prina II, Trustee / Mungo Homes Properties, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (6-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment* for 160.87-acre portion of 300 Clemson Road; TMS# 25700-02-03 (p) **and** Ordinance No.: 2019-029 - Annexing and Incorporating 300 Clemson Road, Richland County TMS# 25700-02-03(p) into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015.

33. ANNEXATION, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 107 S. Williams Street; TMS# 08816-10-04 – *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2019-030 - Annexing and Incorporating 107 South Williams Street, Richland County TMS U08816-10-04 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015 – *Approved on first reading.*



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Council District:	2
Proposal:	<i>Request to annex, assign land use classification of Urban Core Neighborhood Activity Center (UCAC-1) and assign zoning of General Residential District (RG-2). The property is currently classified as Mixed Use (High Density) and zoned High Industrial (HI) by Richland County</i>
Applicant:	Vulcan Lands, Inc.
Staff Recommendation:	Approval
PC Recommendation:	04/01/2019; Approval (7-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment* for 107 S. Williams Street; TMS# 08816-10-04 **and** Ordinance No.: 2019-030 - Annexing and Incorporating 107 South Williams Street, Richland County TMS U08816-10-04 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015.

34. ANNEXATION, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT, AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 88 Hillmark Drive; TMS# 07216-04-03 – *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2019-028 Annexing and Incorporating 88 Hillmark Drive, Richland County TMS #07216-04-02 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District:	2
Proposal:	<i>Request to annex, assign land use classification of Urban Edge Residential Large Lot (UER-2) and assign zoning of Single Family Residential District (RS-1). The property is currently classified as Mixed Use (High Density) and zoned Single Family Residential-Low Density (RS-LD) by Richland County.</i>
Applicant:	Majed Salaymeh
Staff Recommendation:	Approval
PC Recommendation:	4/01/2019; Approval (7-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Zoning Map Amendment* for 88 Hillmark Drive; TMS# 07216-04-03 **and** Ordinance No.: 2019-028 Annexing and Incorporating 88 Hillmark Drive, Richland County TMS #07216-04-02 into the Plan Columbia Land Use Plan Putting the Pieces Together adopted by Ordinance No.: 2015-014 on February 17, 2015.

35. FUTURE LAND USE MAP CONFIRMATION AMENDMENT - 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS#25705-07-29 – *Approved on first reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2019-026 - Amending the City of Columbia Comprehensive Plan 2018 Future Land Use Map to include 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; Richland County TMS# 25705-07-29; annexed by Ordinance No.: 2019-023 enacted May 7, 2019 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to affirm land use classification of Regional Activity Corridor (AC-3) following the annexation of the property. The property currently has interim classification of Regional Activity Corridor (AC-3).

Applicant: Sparkleberry Crossing Retail, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (7-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

36. ZONING MAP AMENDMENT CONFIRMATION - 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS# 25705-07-29 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to affirm zoning of General Commercial District (C-3). The property is currently classified as Mixed Use Corridor and zoned General Commercial (GC) by Richland County.

Applicant: Sparkleberry Crossing Retail, LLC.

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (7-0)



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No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to **Item 35 Future Land Use Map Confirmation Amendment** for 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS#25705-07-29 **and** Ordinance No.: 2019-026 - Amending the City of Columbia Comprehensive Plan 2018 Future Land Use Map to include 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; Richland County TMS# 25705-07-29; annexed by Ordinance No.: 2019-023 enacted May 7, 2019 and **Item 36 Zoning Map Amendment Confirmation** for 120 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS#25705-07-29.

37. ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 1616 Gervais Street and 1620 Gervais Street, TMS# 11401-09-03 and 11401-09-05 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 3
Proposal: Request to rezone the parcel from C-3 to C-3, -DD
Applicant: Jon E. McDonald, Harley Ellis Devereaux
Staff Recommendation: Approval
PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (7-0)

Councilor Baddourah inquired about the proposed development.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that the current proposal is for student housing.

Councilor Duvall asked if there was discussion from the neighborhoods at the Planning Commission Meeting.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director said there was a previous proposal to rezone to allow for unlimited height; they dialed that back. We are staying with the existing zoning which has a height limit of 50', but you can go up to 75' if you step back. They are extending the design overlay (-DD).

Councilor McDowell asked if there has been any community participation.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director said they have been involved and the sentiment has not been overwhelmingly positive about the development. The development is allowed outright under this zoning classification.



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Councilor McDowell sought to ascertain the size and capacity of the property.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director clarified that it's a multi-family development that will be potentially geared towards students. It's currently allowed outright.

Councilor Devine said the reason for the rezoning is because it crosses property lines.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that the base zoning classification is fine. The parcel is currently split by the design development overlay. You cannot build over a zoning line. They are asking to extend the design district over the adjacent parcel. This will increase the review of the project; it will have to go through the DDRC.

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Baddourah and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted [4 to 1] to give first reading approval to the *Zoning Map Amendment* for 1616 Gervais Street and 1620 Gervais Street, TMS# 11401-09-03 and 11401-09-05. Voting aye were Mr. Rickenmann, Mr. Duvall, Mr. Baddourah, and Ms. Devine. Mr. McDowell voted nay.

38. ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 2508 Chestnut Street; TMS# 11509-02-02 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 2

Proposal: Request to rezone the parcel from RG-1 to C-3

Applicant: Larry D. Patterson

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (7-0)

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that the East Central Plan calls for this area to be mixed-use. We were following the existing policy guidance along with the adjacent zoning. We don't generally recommend commercial zoning in a residential area.

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Zoning Map Amendment* for 2508 Chestnut Street; TMS# 11509-02-02.

39. ZONING MAP AMENDMENT - 1517 Gregg Street; TMS# 11403-10-05 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 2
Proposal: Request to rezone the parcel from C-1 and C-3 to C-1
Applicant: Richard E. Carlisle, CAN Community Health, Inc.
Staff Recommendation: Approval
PC Recommendation: 03/04/2019; Approval (7-0)

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to the *Zoning Map Amendment* for 1517 Gregg Street; TMS# 11403-10-05.

40. ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT - Amend §17-258 - Body Piercing and Tattoo Establishment

Ordinance No.: 2019-035 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division 8, District Descriptions, Use and Dimensional Regulations, Sec. 17-258 Table of permitted uses, SIC 7298 Massage parlors, spas – *Approved on first reading.*

Proposal: Amend the text of §17-258 -Table of Permitted Uses (SIC 7298) to permit body piercing facilities and tattoo establishments by special exception in C-5 (Central Business District).
Applicant: Daniel J. Rickenmann, Columbia City Council
Pertinent Section: Chapter 17, Article III, Division 8, Amend §17-258 - Table I - Table of Permitted Uses #7298
Staff Recommendation: Approval



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Councilor Rickenmann explained that the owner of this tattoo shop performs tattoos for people who had reconstructive surgery and that's the bulk of her business. She wanted to be located downtown so she could be close to the hospital. We decided that the best way to do this would be a text amendment for a special exception so that people aren't just moving in.

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-035 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division 8, District Descriptions, Use and Dimensional Regulations, Sec. 17-258 Table of permitted uses, SIC 7298 Massage parlors, spas.

41. **ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT - Amend §17-401 to Exempt Signage Associated with the Regional Transit Authority at Transit Stops**

Ordinance No.: 2019-036 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division 12, Signs, Sec. 17-401 Definitions, Sign – *Approved on first reading.*

<i>Proposal:</i>	<i>Amend the text of §17-401 to exclude signage installed by the Regional Transit Authority at Transit Stops from the definition of Sign.</i>
<i>Applicant:</i>	<i>Krista Hampton, Director of Planning and Development Services</i>
<i>Pertinent Section:</i>	<i>Chapter 17, Article III, Division 12, Amend §17-401- Definitions</i>
<i>Staff Recommendation:</i>	<i>Approval</i>
<i>PC Recommendation:</i>	<i>04/01/2019; Approval (7-0)</i>

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director explained that this amendment would exclude signage from the definition of signs. This will allow The COMET to put advertising signs on the benches and panels within the bus shelters.

No one spoke in support of or in opposition to this matter.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. Baddourah and seconded by Mr. McDowell, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-036 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17, Planning, Land Development and Zoning, Article III, Zoning, Division 12, Signs, Sec. 17-401 Definitions, Sign.

Council closed the Zoning Public Hearing for Zoning/Planning Matters at 7:14 p.m.

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

42. Ordinance No.: 2019-025 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Columbia, South Carolina, Special Obligation Bonds or Notes (Hospitality Fee Pledge), Series 2019, in an Aggregate Principal Amount of Not Exceeding \$4,200,000, in order to Finance the Acquisition, Renovation and Equipment of Certain Capital Projects; Authorizing the Mayor, the City Manager and the Assistant City Manager for Finance and Economic Services, or any two of them acting together, to determine Certain Matters with Respect to the Bonds or Notes; Prescribing the Form and Details of Such Bonds or Notes; and other matters relating thereto - *First reading approval was given on May 7, 2019.- Approved on second reading.*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Rickenmann, Council voted [4 to 1] to give second reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-025 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Columbia, South Carolina, Special Obligation Bonds or Notes (Hospitality Fee Pledge), Series 2019, in an Aggregate Principal Amount of Not Exceeding \$4,200,000, in order to Finance the Acquisition, Renovation and Equipment of Certain Capital Projects; Authorizing the Mayor, the City Manager and the Assistant City Manager for Finance and Economic Services, or any two of them acting together, to determine Certain Matters with Respect to the Bonds or Notes; Prescribing the Form and Details of Such Bonds or Notes; and other matters relating thereto. Voting aye were Mr. Rickenmann, Mr. McDowell, Mr. Duvall, and Ms. Devine. Mr. Baddourah voted nay.



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43. Ordinance No.: 2019-027 Amend Sec. 19-35 Receptacle requirements; placement of receptacles – *Approved on first reading as amended.*

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-027 Amend Sec. 19-35 Receptacle requirements; placement of receptacles, subject to Section 19-35 (e)(3) being amended to read “on the side of the dwelling beyond the front corner of the dwelling.”

44. Ordinance No.: 2019-032 - Annexing 111 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS# 25705-07-26 – *Approved on first reading.*

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex, assign interim land use classification of Regional Activity Corridor (AC-3) and assign interim zoning of General Commercial District (C-3). The property is currently classified as Mixed Use Corridor and zoned General Commercial (GC) by Richland County.

Applicant: Frost Partners, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 05/06/2019; Pending

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-032 - Annexing 111 Sparkleberry Crossing Road; TMS# 25705-07-26.

45. Ordinance No.: 2019-034 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Contract of Sale for the transfer of 2924 Hope Avenue, Richland County TMS #11313-12-07 - *Approved on first reading.*

Ms. Gloria Saeed, Director of Community Development explained that the City funded a Community Housing Development Operation (CHDO) several years ago and they owned several pieces of property that we took back through a deed in lieu of foreclosure. This house was already being leased to the person that’s interested in purchasing it. We rehabilitated it and kept it as an affordable piece of property.



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Upon a motion made by Mr. Baddourah and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2019-034 Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Contract of Sale for the transfer of 2924 Hope Avenue, Richland County TMS #11313-12-07.

APPOINTMENTS

46. Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development

Upon a motion made by Ms. Devine and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to approve the appointment of Mr. Marcus Brown to the Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development as nominated by Mayor Stephen K. Benjamin. Mr. Rickenmann deferred his nomination to the committee.

47. Food Policy Committee – *Consideration of this matter was deferred.*

Ms. Ashley Jenkins, Senior Executive Assistant to the City Manager explained there are a total of five applications. We received one new application after the re-advertisement.

Councilor Devine said we wanted to ensure good district representation.

Councilor Duvall said the committee is large; maybe we can get it down to a more workable group.

Ms. Ashley Jenkins, Senior Executive Assistant to the City Manager said they've continued to meet and things are going smoothly.

Councilor Devine said we have one applicant from district one and four from district two. Out of the current members, there is someone from every district. Are any of those people rolling off?

Ms. Ashley Jenkins, Senior Executive Assistant to the City Manager said district three is losing two appointees. I can look at an alternative advertisement method.

Councilor Devine said you are going to get people who either work in food policy and healthy eating or people who live in food deserts. Having so many people from district two notes the fact that districts one and two are food deserts. It's more important to have people with expertise and passion about this issue.



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Councilor McDowell said we can defer this until next week while we make sure that the numbers and district representation is there. I would ask for a deferral.

Councilor Baddourah agreed that the committee is too large.

Councilor Devine asked that the districts be noted for all applicant home addresses. She suggested that we ask existing committee members for referrals and talk with organizations like Eat Smart Move More SC.

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS DISCUSSED DURING THE WORK SESSION

No matters were considered at this time.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/REFERRALS

Councilor Baddourah asked if a motion is needed to direct the City Manager and staff to look at issuing a GO Bond of \$5 million to build [Fire] Station 2 and to allocate funds for the Quiet Zone.

Councilor Devine said that City Manager can present that at a work session.

APPEARANCE OF THE PUBLIC

No one appeared at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion made by Mr. Rickenmann and seconded by Mr. Baddourah, Council voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Erika D. Moore, CMC
City Clerk