



COLUMBIA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2022

The Columbia City Council conducted a meeting on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201. The Honorable Edward H. McDowell, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tempore called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and the following members of Council were present: The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr., The Honorable William Brennan, The Honorable Aditi Bussells, The Honorable Tina N. Herbert, and The Honorable Joe E. Taylor, Jr. The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m. 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. *The minutes are numbered to coincide with the order of the meeting.*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr. offered the invocation.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to adopt the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No one appeared at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Council is asked to approve the May 24 and May 31, 2022 Budget Workshop Minutes; August 16, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes; August 23 and August 30, 2022 Work Session Minutes. – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to approve the May 24 and May 31, 2022 Budget Workshop Minutes; August 16, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes; and August 23 and August 30, 2022 Work Session Minutes.



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PRESENTATIONS

2. National Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation - The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

Mayor Rickenmann and the members of City Council proclaimed September 15 through October 15, 2022 as National Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Columbia.

Ms. Tanya- Rodriguez-Hodges, Latino Communications Executive Director said thank you for the excellent acknowledgement of our growing Hispanic Latino population here in South Carolina and in our beautiful Midlands. Columbia is the home to over 17 countries that speak Spanish. We have grown exponentially over the last two decades bringing our totality closer to 10%. We are one of the fastest growing cities and states that Hispanic communities are honored to move to because of the lovely temperatures and the hospitable people. On behalf of our non-profit organization, Latino Communications, our staff, and others that are here today, we simply just want to say thank you for acknowledging the magnificent contributions that we have made to our city.

3. National Code Compliance Month Proclamation - The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

Mayor Rickenmann and the members of City Council proclaimed the month of October 2022 as National Code Compliance Month in the City of Columbia.

Mr. David Hatcher, Code Enforcement Director said thank you Mayor Pro-Tem and City Council. We are humbled by this presentation. We appreciate everything that Council and City Management does for us.

Councilor Herbert said I am thankful for the entire team and the patience that you have, particularly with my district. I appreciate the positive responses that I get from people when you all come out and assist them. Keep up the good work.

Councilor Duvall said we have around 117 organized neighborhood groups in the City of Columbia. We attend these neighborhood meetings and always have a code enforcement person there with us. Code Enforcement not only works during the day but are also out at night at these meetings listening and getting a long list of to-dos. I appreciate all the time that you all put in for the city.



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Councilor Bussells said your work is incredibly important in making sure that our city represents what we value, which is a city that is vibrant and safe. I want to thank you all being flexible with this new Council and working hard to address some of the challenges that we hear from our constituents. Just know that we appreciate and notice the hard work that your team is doing.

4. National Community Planning Month Proclamation - The Honorable Daniel J. Rickenmann, Mayor

Mayor Rickenmann and the members of City Council proclaimed the month of October 2022 as National Community Planning Month in the City of Columbia.

Ms. Krista Hampton, Planning and Development Services Director said thank you for this recognition. We are a small but mighty staff. I would encourage you to look at our recent annual report to show what this staff has done. The accomplishments are remarkable between annexations, bike/pedestrian, and historic preservation.

Councilor Brennan said thank you Krista and your team for everything that you have done to take us to the path to grow the city in a smart way. We are very appreciative of everything you have done and where we are going with your vision.

Councilor Duvall said we should have had the Planning Department before we had Code Enforcement because it's the planning that lays the groundwork of a beautiful city and it's the code enforcement that keeps it beautiful. Thank you for what you and your wonderful staff do.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 5 THROUGH 22

Councilor Bussells said for item five, we need to identify ways in which we can allow the water staff to benefit from some of the services that the nonprofit provides. I appreciate you all making those connections and helping make it very clear why this is funded in the way that it is.

Upon a single motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda **Items 5** through **22**.



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5. Council is asked to approve a Modified Professional Services Agreement for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 for Computer Training, Job Search/Preparation, and Online Classes for our most vulnerable populations and Online Training for the Columbia Water Utility Operations Staff, as requested by the Community Development Department. Award to Fast Forward in the amount of \$100,000.00, which is not an increase from the previous fiscal year. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Community Development (1014320-636600) \$50,000.00 and Water & Sewer Special Projects (5518415-636600) \$50,000.00. The original budget amount is \$100,000.00.

6. Council is asked to approve an Annual Contract for Elevator Maintenance Services, as requested by the Support Services Division on August 27, 2022. This is year three of the initial four year contract period. Award to Otis Elevator using the OMNIA Agreement in the amount of \$145,949.64, which does not include a price increase. This firm is located in West Columbia, SC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Utilities Lake Murray Water Plant - Maintenance & Service Contract (5516207-638200) \$13,821.12, General Support Services - Maintenance & Service Contract (1011201-638200) \$22,281.60, Drew Wellness Center - Maintenance & Service Contract (1015115-638200) \$2,630.64, Support Services Public Building - Maintenance & Service Contract (5511219-638200) \$26,153.64, Parking Taylor Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313107-638200) \$5,397.84, Parking Sumter Street Park - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313106-638200) \$10,795.68, Parking Arsenal Hill Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313103-638200) \$5,087.16, Parking Lady Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313104-638200) \$10,795.68, Parking Washington Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313108-638200) \$5,397.84, Parking Park Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313109-638200) \$5,676.00, Parking PJ Cannon Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313114-638200) \$14,394.00, Police Administrative Services - Maintenance & Service Contract (1012402-638200) \$5,976.12, Parking Lincoln Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313112-638200) \$5,779.68, Parking Devine Street Deck - Maintenance & Service Contract (5313115-638200) \$11,762.64. The original budget amount is \$145,949.64.

7. Council is asked to approve a Contract Renewal for NowCare Premium Support Services with additional software hosting, equipment, and maintenance, as requested by the Parking Services Department on September 8, 2022. This is year one of three renewal options. Award to Amano McGann, Inc. in the amount of \$158,126.04, which does not include a rate increase. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. – *Approved*



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Funding Source: Parking Lady Street Deck, Maintenance and Service Contract (5313104-638200) \$39,531.51; Parking Sumter Street Deck, Maintenance and Service Contract (5313106-638200) \$39,531.51; Parking Park Street Deck, Maintenance and Service Contract (5313109-638200) \$39,531.51; Parking Lincoln Street Deck, Maintenance and Service Contract (5313112-638200) \$39,531.51. The original budget amount is \$158,126.04.

8. Council is asked to approve a Contract Renewal for Kronos Workforce Subscription Software Services and Equipment Support, as requested by the Budget, Program Management, and Grants Office on August 10, 2022. Award to Kronos, Inc., a UKG Company, in the amount of \$258,703.72. This vendor is located in Lowell, MA. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Program Management Office - Cloud Based Software Solutions (6218950-632170) \$203,326.41; Program Management Office - Maintenance & Service Contract (6218950-638200) \$55,319.25. The original budget amount is \$258,703.72.

Kronos, Inc., a UKG Co.	2022	% Increase	Contract Period
Kronos Workforce	\$118,896.46	2.0%	9/25/2022 - 9/24/2023
Equipment Support	\$51,682.15	4.0%	9/28/2022 - 9/27/2023
Telestaff	\$84,488.01	4.0%	10/26/2022 - 10/25/2023
Taxes	\$3,637.10		
Total	\$258,703.72		

9. Council is asked to ratify the Purchase of 793 Blue 95 Gallon Recycling Roll Carts, as requested by the Public Works Department on July 29, 2022. Award to Schaefer Systems International, using the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Contract in the amount of \$51,401.74 which includes a 1.2% increase. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Solid Waste Recycling - Rollcarts and Recycle Bins (1014407-627600). The original budgeted amount is \$51,401.74.

10. Council is asked to approve the Purchase of 2,496 Green 96 Gallon Refuse Roll Carts, as requested by the Public Works Department. Award to Toter, LLC, using the OMNIA Cooperative Contract in the amount of \$165,019.58, which includes a 7% increase. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Solid Waste Recycling - Roll Carts and Recycle Bins (1014407-627600). The original budget amount is \$165,019.58.



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11. Council is asked to approve a new Contract for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition/Instrumentation Maintenance for the Canal and Lake Murray Water Treatment Plants, as requested by Columbia Water on February 24, 2022. Award to CITI, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$86,104.00. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Utilities Control Canal Water Treatment Plant - Professional Services (5516206-636600) \$43,052.00; Utilities Control Lake Murray Water Treatment Plant - Professional Services (55162067-636600) \$43,052.00. The original budget amount is \$87,000.00.

12. Council is asked to approve a Contract Renewal for the Water and Sewer Rate Study, as requested by Columbia Water on September 6, 2022. This is year one of three renewal options. Award to Black & Veatch Management Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$148,989.00, which does not include a price increase. This firm is located in Columbia, SC. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Admin Assistant City Manager - Professional Services (5511109-636600). The original budget amount is \$148,989.00.

Black and Veatch Management Consulting, LLC will provide a comprehensive water and sewer rate study to develop a 5-year integrated financial plan at 90.00% (\$134,091.00) of the total contract amount.

The following firm will provide additional services:

Civil Engineering Consulting Services, a Minority Business Enterprise (W) located in Columbia, SC, will provide financial planning and rate study services at 10.00% (\$14,898.00) of the total contract amount.

13. Council is asked to approve a new Contract to Purchase Dezurik Plug Valves for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant, as requested by Columbia Water on July 28, 2022. Award to Dezurik Water Controls, as a Sole Source in an amount not to exceed \$396,219.60. This vendor is located in Minneapolis, MN. – *Approved*

Funding Source: Water and Sewer Capital Projects - Capital Project Costs (5529999-658650) and WCPS Improvements-Capital Project Costs (SS756401-658650). The original budget amount is \$396,219.60.

14. Council is asked to approve a new Contract to Purchase Flygt Pumps, Parts, Repair Services, and Maintenance for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant, as requested by Columbia Water on July 2, 2022. Award to Xylem Water Solutions USA Inc. as a Sole Source in an amount not to exceed \$485,348.51. This vendor is located in Charlotte, NC. – *Approved*
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Funding Source: Water and Sewer Capital Projects - NCPS Upgrade - Capital Project Costs (5529999-SS746701-658650). The original budget amount is \$485,348.51.

15. Council is asked to approve new Contracts to Purchase Replacement Vehicles for Various Departments, as requested by the Fleet Services Division. Award to the following vendors in the total amount of \$2,160,235.22. – *Approved*
Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment-Capital (6308972-658500). The original budget amount is \$2,160,235.22

Vendor and Location	Description	Procurement Method
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	2023 Ford F-350 Truck for the Columbia Fire Department requested on August 22, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$67,610.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Three (3) 2023 Ford Ranger Trucks for the Columbia Fire Department requested on September 5, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$105,939.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Two (2) 2023 Ford Ranger 2WD XL Trucks for the Columbia Fire Department requested on September 5, 2022	SC State Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$69,492.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Two (2) 2023 Ford F-150 Police Responder Crew Cab for the Columbia Police Department requested on August 12, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$89,256.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Thirteen (13) 2023 Nissan Altima S Vehicles for the Columbia Police Department and Two (2) 2023 Nissan Altima S Vehicles for Business License Department requested on August 24, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$367,950.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Ten (10) 2023 Ford F-150 Regular Cab 2WD XL for the Code Enforcement Division requested on August 12, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$309,240.00</i>		



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Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	2023 Ford F-450 2WD XL Truck for the Parks and Recreation Department requested on September 7, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$64,214.00</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	One (1) 2023 Ford F-350 Truck for the Parks and Recreation Department and One (1) 2023 Ford F-350 Truck for the Forestry and Beautification Division requested on August 16, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$117,026.00</i>		
Vermeer Mid Atlantic, Inc. Charlotte, NC	Vermeer Brush Chipper for the Forestry and Beautification Division requested on August 23, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$59,220.72</i>		
Blanchard Machinery West Columbia, SC	Caterpillar Wheel Loader for the Solid Waste Division requested on August 23, 2022	SC State Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972- 627500) - \$185,192.50</i>		
Alan Jay Automotive Management DBA Alan Jay Fleet Sales Sebring, FL	Seven (7) 2024 Ford F-650 Strait Frame Trucks for the Solid Waste Division requested on August 22, 2022	Sourcewell Cooperative Contract
<i>Funding Source: Capital Replacement - Auto, Trucks, Heavy Equipment (6308972-658500) - \$725,095.00</i>		

16. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 218 Carolina Street; TMS#08816-09-09 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-088 - Annexing 218 Carolina Street, Richland County TMS #08816-09-09 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina Columbia, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 2

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of Urban Core mixed Residential Type 3 (UCMR-3) and assign zoning of Residential Two-Family - Mill village District (RD-MV), a portion within the Floodplain Overlay District (OV-FP), at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned RM-HD by Richland County.

Applicant: Kenneth L. Tisdale and Carmen M. Tisdale

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 07/14/2022; Approval (6-0)



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17. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 157 Saskatoon Drive; TMS# 22015-02-10 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-087 - Annexing 157 Saskatoon Drive, Richland County TMS #22015-02-10 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina Columbia, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex the property and assign a land use classification of Urban Edge Residential - Small Lot (UER-1) and assign zoning of Residential Single Family-Small Lot (RSF-3) at the time of annexation. The property is currently classified as Mixed Residential (High Density) and zoned RS-MD by Richland County.

Applicant: Daryl E. Jenkins

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 07/14/2022; Approval (6-0)

18. Annexation, Future Land Use Map Amendment, and Zoning Map Amendment for 79.05 acres N/S Percival Road, 4407 Percival Road and 0.775 acres E/S Newland Road, TMS#25600-03-04 and 25600-03-30 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-086 - Annexing and Incorporating 79.26 acres N/S Percival Road, 4407 Percival Road and 0.775 acres E/S Newland Road, Richland County TMS# 25600-03-04 and TMS# 25600-03-30 into the City of Columbia, South Carolina Columbia, and Incorporating said property into Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 and the Official Zoning Map – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 4

Proposal: Request to annex, assign land use classifications of Urban Edge Residential Small Lot (UER-1) Urban Edge Multi-Family (UEMF), and Urban Edge Community Activity Center (UEAC-1), and zone the property Residential Mixed District (RM-1), Residential Mixed District (RM-2), and Light Industrial District (LI). The property is currently classified as Neighborhood (Medium Density) and zoned M-1 by Richland County.

Applicant: C. Ray Miles and VWV, LLC

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 09/08/2022; Approval (6-0)



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19. Future Land Use Map Amendment for 12.59 acres, Shop Road Extension; TMS #16200-01-25 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-084 - Amending the Columbia Compass: Envision 2036 Map to confirm the future land use classification for 12.59 acres, Shop Road Extension; Richland county TMS# 16200-01-25; annexed by Ordinance No 2022-050 enacted June 21, 2022 – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request to confirm the future land use classification of Industrial (IND). The property is currently assigned interim future land use classification of Industrial (IND).

Applicant: Metal Park Investors 3, LLC, a South Carolina limited liability company

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 05/12/2022; Approval (4-0)

20. Zoning Map Amendment for 12.59 acres, Shop Road Extension; TMS# 16200-01-25 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Ordinance No.: 2022-085 - Amending the Official Zoning Map to confirm the zoning for 12.59 acres Shop Road Extension, Richland County TMS# 16200-01-25; annexed by Ordinance No. 2022-050 enacted June 21, 2022 – Approved on second reading.

Council District: 3

Proposal: Request to confirm the zoning of Light Industrial (LI). The property currently has interim zoning of Light Industrial (LI).

Applicant: Metal Park Investors 3, LLC, a South Carolina limited liability company

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 05/12/2022; Approval (4-0)



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21. Ordinance No.: 2022-079 - Granting an encroachment to Jay's Bar and Grill for the use of the right of way area of the 900 block of Gervais Street for the installation and maintenance of one hanging sign, one gate with two brick columns, horizontal metal railings and cables to be added to existing brick columns and to the south end of the covered porch, a black metal railing on the covered porch and a wall-mounted television adjacent to 902 Gervais Street, Suite F, Richland County TMS# 08916-02-01 - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*
22. Ordinance No.: 2022-094 - Granting a Franchise to Ride Jaunt, LLC for operation of a micro-transit free-ride service in the downtown University of South Carolina area - *First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

23. Ordinance No.: 2022-012 - A Fifteenth Supplemental Ordinance providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Columbia, South Carolina, Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not exceeding \$85,000,000, in order to Finance Various Capital Projects and Improvements to the System, Any Necessary Debt Service Reserves, Capitalized Interest and Issuance Costs; 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; Prescribing the Form and Details of Such Bonds and Other Matters Relating Thereto. - *First reading approval was given on March 1, 2022 – Approved on second reading.*

Attorney Estimated Costs of Issuance		
Service	Provider	Cost
Co-Bond Counsel, Tax Counsel	Burr Forman (<i>Michael Seezen, Ryan Gentry, John Nason, Jeff Allen</i>)	197,500
Co-Bond Counsel	Johnson, Toal, Battiste (<i>George Johnson</i>)	80,000
Co-Underwriter's Counsel	Parker Poe (<i>Ray Jones, Emily Luther, Emily Zackon</i>)	100,000
Co-Underwriter's Counsel	Starkes Law (<i>F. Xavier Starkes</i>)	40,000



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Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to give second reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-012 - A Fifteenth Supplemental Ordinance providing for the Issuance and Sale of City of Columbia, South Carolina, Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not exceeding \$85,000,000, in order to Finance Various Capital Projects and Improvements to the System, Any Necessary Debt Service Reserves, Capitalized Interest and Issuance Costs; 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; Prescribing the Form and Details of Such Bonds and Other Matters Relating Thereto. Ms. Herbert was not present for the vote.

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

24. Ordinance No.: 2022-082 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 11, Licenses, Permits and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, to add Article XIII, Purveyors of Cannabis Products – *Approved on first reading.*

Public Safety Committee Recommendation: 09/27/2022; Approval (3-0)

Councilor Taylor said this ordinance requires the sellers of THC and cannabis products to post warning signs equal to 50% of the size of the signs selling the product, warning the consumers that this product may possibly cause you to fail a workplace drug test. These are legal products with unintended consequences of people failing drug tests and losing their jobs. It is a detriment to employers who are losing good employees. It is our duty to warn our folks that there is a downside to be aware of when you consume.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to give first reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-082 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 11, Licenses, Permits and Miscellaneous Business Regulations, to add Article XIII, Purveyors of Cannabis Products.



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RESOLUTIONS

25. Resolution No.: R-2022-074 - Resolving to Consider Ordinance No.: 2022- 081 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 4, Use Regulations, Section 17-4.2, Principle Uses, to add Provisions Governing Smoke or Vape Shops, and Article 9, Definitions and Measurements, to add Definitions concerning Smoke or Vape Shops; and, Setting and Advertising to the Public the Date of a Public Hearing on this Ordinance; and, referring this Ordinance to the Planning Commission for its Consideration; and Invoking the Pending Ordinance Doctrine with Respect to this Ordinance – *Approved*

Public Safety Committee Recommendation: 09/27/2022; Approval (3-0)

Councilor Duvall said this is a resolution instead of an ordinance because the change that will be made to implement the restriction on the location of vape shops and others that are covered by this ordinance has to be part of the zoning laws and it goes through the Planning Commission. We are asking you to approve this resolution today and we will invoke the pending ordinance doctrine. Once we pass this resolution today, our staff will be instructed not to do anything against this particular ordinance when it is finally passed. The will of the Council is that these shops fall under the ordinance as it comes back to us from the Planning Commission.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Ms. Herbert, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-074 - Resolving to Consider Ordinance No.: 2022- 081 Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 4, Use Regulations, Section 17-4.2, Principle Uses, to add Provisions Governing Smoke or Vape Shops, and Article 9, Definitions and Measurements, to add Definitions concerning Smoke or Vape Shops; and, Setting and Advertising to the Public the Date of a Public Hearing on this Ordinance; and, referring this Ordinance to the Planning Commission for its Consideration; and Invoking the Pending Ordinance Doctrine with Respect to this Ordinance.

26. Resolution No.: R-2022-083 - Approving the Planting of a Tree and Placement of a Plaque at the Southwest Corner of the South Carolina Crime Victims' Memorial Garden and Path of Remembrance in the Riverfront Park South Parking Lot in Remembrance of Officer Roy Andrew "Drew" Barr, Jr. – *Approved*



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Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Taylor, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-083 - Approving the Planting of a Tree and Placement of a Plaque at the Southwest Corner of the South Carolina Crime Victims' Memorial Garden and Path of Remembrance in the Riverfront Park South Parking Lot in Remembrance of Officer Roy Andrew "Drew" Barr, Jr.

EVENT RESOLUTIONS

27. Resolution No.: 2022-051 Authorizing consumption of beer and wine beverages only at the SC Pride Festival on Friday, October 14, 2022 and Saturday, October 15, 2022 – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Brennan, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: 2022-051 Authorizing consumption of beer and wine beverages only at the SC Pride Festival on Friday, October 14, 2022 and Saturday, October 15, 2022.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ROAD CLOSURE

Council opened the public hearing at 4:36 p.m.

28. Closure of Falling Springs Court – *Received as information. No action was taken.*

No one appeared at this time.

Council closed the public hearing at 4:37 p.m.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

29. Rapid Shelter Columbia Update - Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we want to give Council more details on the great work that is going on with our new initiative Rapid Shelter Columbia. The talent and the skill sets of the City of Columbia team are quite remarkable. You will agree with me when you see some of the pictures of what we have been able to do in just a matter of a few weeks. I think this is a great opportunity for the public to begin to see the transformation of what we are working towards for Rapid Shelter Columbia.



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Mr. Kevin Keisler, General Services Director said on September 7, 2022 we had the press conference onsite which started our process. On September 7th and 8th, we started site clearing. On September 12th, we completed the site clearing. On September 13th, we started grading the site to get it ready for the underground work. We had Dominion on site putting in our electrical service and setting the new transformer. On September 19th, we rough graded the site. On September 20th, we had gutter installation and storm drain work. On September 22nd, we completed the storm drain and we had the electrical service installed. On September 29th, right before Hurricane Ian, we were able to get the electrical in place and get meters installed. The pallet shelter site is located at 191 Calhoun Street. Sidewalk installation will start next Monday, October 10th through the 17th. Artificial turf will be put down between the pallet shelters for easy cleanup and to help with drainage at the site. During October 24th through the 28th, the pallet shelters will arrive on site with the anchoring and electric connections. The tentative opening for Rapid Shelter Columbia is November 1st. Pallets staff will arrive on October 23rd in Columbia, South Carolina. The units will arrive the next day and they will start the unloading process. They will have staff prepared to train approximately six to eight individuals. On October 25th, the team leaders will supervise a crew of four to five volunteers that will be installing the shelters. On October 26th through 28th, we will start anchoring and installation of electrical components. On October 27th, we will have the final installation and complete the inside of the units.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said we have made a formal request for volunteers to a very formidable partner here in Columbia. It takes about an hour to put together a unit with four to five volunteers per crew. We are very hopeful that this is going to be done in record time.

Councilor Taylor asked if the camera systems will be in place in all entryways.

Mr. Kevin Keisler, General Services Director said it will be a total of 29 cameras installed at the site. We worked with Director Tinsley and the Police Department for the locations of cameras. We are also adding site lighting in this location.

Ms. Teresa Wilson, City Manager said the cameras will be monitored from the Emergency Operations Center. From a security management standpoint, the chief and his team are finishing up interviews with three vendors. We will have a specific contract for security services that will come before Council probably on October 18th. We are definitely putting emphasis on security, safety, and lighting. The three positions that are being recruited are the director of homeless services, the homeless services project manager, and the homeless services program specialist. We have already begun interviewing. We are finishing up that process this week for the director and the project manager. Part of their responsibilities will be to assist with establishing guidelines, regulations, and dignity standards that will have to be followed for Rapid Shelter



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Columbia. The rapid shelter pods are a tool in the toolbox. Nobody is saying it is going to solve every problem. This non-congregate setting will be in place where we traditionally have the Inclement Weather Center and will operate 365 days 24/7. I don't anticipate we will have all 50 pods filled on November 1st. I think that would be very ambitious. We are working with Transitions and other providers to help us identify those individuals that would do well in a pod. We want to make sure that the 50 individuals rolling through the pods are getting the wraparound services they need so we can move them into a more permanent situation. This leads into the contracts that are on the agenda. We need for continuity of services. We are talking about three shifts of house managers, house assistants, and shift workers. Transitions used to operate the overflow center. We still need them to do that. We need to replicate the same amount of staff to also operate the pod side. We will also use our three staff persons at the top to begin to schedule clinicians and providers to be on site during the day so that we are bringing the services to the individuals that will be there all the time at the pods. The Salvation Army is still doing the meals. The city is now going directly with these providers versus having a middle person doing this for us.

Mayor joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Councilor Bussells said the new staff members need to build infrastructure or some sort of incentive structure built in place so that those experiencing chronic homelessness know that this is not a permanent solution. That requires placing trust and pressure on our provider partners. City Council can certainly help with making sure that our state and regional partners buy into this program. I will be asking all of my colleagues to help me in advocating for some of these to make sure we can really keep this what it is, a rapid short term solution for a long term problem. It sounds like it is going to be an amazing environment that is really focused on trauma informed with dignity. We need to think about different triaging and ways in which we can leverage existing providers and programs. I would love the Economic and Community Development Committee look closely at some of our CDBG dollars that are focused on homelessness so that it's not all coming out of our general fund.

There was a consensus of Council to refer the discussion of using CDBG funds for Rapid Shelter Columbia to the Economic and Community Development Committee.



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CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENTS FOR RAPID SHELTER COLUMBIA

30. Council is asked to Ratify an Emergency Procurement and Approve a Master Product and Services Agreement for Rapid Shelter Columbia, as requested by Operations on September 1, 2022. Award to Pallet in the amount of \$603,653.16. This vendor is located in Everett, WA. – *Approved*

Funding Source: General Capital Projects – Capital Projects Cost – Rapid Deployment Shelter Project – Capital Projects Costs (4039999-658650-CP901301-658650)

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. McDowell, Council voted unanimously to Ratify an Emergency Procurement and Approve a Master Product and Services Agreement for Rapid Shelter Columbia, as requested by Operations on September 1, 2022. Award to Pallet in the amount of \$603,653.16. This vendor is located in Everett, WA.

31. Resolution No.: R-2022-087 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute Professional Services Agreement for the Housing First Program between the City of Columbia and the University of South Carolina for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-087 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute Professional Services Agreement for the Housing First Program between the City of Columbia and the University of South Carolina for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

32. Resolution No. R-2022-088 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement for the Rapid Shelter Columbia & Overflow Program between the City of Columbia and the Salvation Army for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. R-2022-088 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement for the Rapid Shelter Columbia & Overflow Program between the City of Columbia and the Salvation Army for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

33. Resolution No.: R-2022-089 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute Professional Services Agreement for the Rapid Shelter & Overflow Program between the City of Columbia and the Midlands Housing Alliance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 – *Approved*



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Upon a motion made by Dr. Bussells and seconded by Mr. Duvall, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-089 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute Professional Services Agreement for the Rapid Shelter & Overflow Program between the City of Columbia and the Midlands Housing Alliance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

34. Resolution No.: R-2022-078 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement between the City of Columbia and the Midlands Housing Alliance, Inc. for 2025 Main Street for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 – *Approved*

Upon a motion made by Mr. McDowell and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to approve Resolution No.: R-2022-078 - Authorizing the City Manager to execute an Agreement between the City of Columbia and the Midlands Housing Alliance, Inc. for 2025 Main Street for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

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There was a consensus of Council to refer the discussion of the Community Development Department and Development Corporations' housing initiatives and goals for fiscal year 2023/2024 to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

There was a consensus of Council to refer the discussion of creative options to address food insecurities to the Economic and Community Development Committee.

35. Public Safety Committee September 27, 2022 Report - The Honorable Howard E. Duvall, Jr.

Councilor Duvall said we have the fireworks ordinance that we would like to bring to the Council agenda for the next meeting. We have reviewed the fireworks ordinance and we think it's ready. The fireworks ordinance is patterned after the ordinance that Richland County is looking at. We are a little bit further along than they are. Mainly it says that you are permitted to have fireworks and use fireworks in the city.

36. Columbia Economic Development Department Action Plan - Mr. Ryan Coleman, Economic Development Director – *Received as information.*

Economic and Community Development Committee Recommendation: 09/13/2022; Endorsement (3-0)



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ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

37. Amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance - Off Street Parking Standards

Ordinance No.: 2022-091 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 5, Development Standards, Sec. 17-5.2, Off-Street Parking, Bicycle Parking, and Loading – Approved on second reading.

Proposal: Request to amend Table 17-5.2 (D)(1), Minimum Number of Off-Street Parking Spaces, to add MU-1, MU-2, NAC, CAC, and RAC to “no minimum” column; eliminate parking requirements for non-residential uses occupying buildings of 7,500 sq. ft. or less citywide; and reduce requirements for certain warehouse and manufacturing uses

Applicant: Krista Hampton, Director of Planning & Development Services; Members of Columbia City Council

Staff Recommendation: Approval

PC Recommendation: 07/14/2022; Approval (6-1) proposing to City Council to include .5 spaces per bed and for private and public dormitories

First reading approval was given on September 20, 2022.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted six (6) to one (1) to give second reading approval to Ordinance No.: 2022-091 - Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 17 (Unified Development Ordinance), Article 5, Development Standards, Sec. 17-5.2, Off-Street Parking, Bicycle Parking, and Loading. Mr. Taylor, Ms. Herbert, Dr. Bussells, Mr. Brennan, Mr. McDowell, and Mayor Rickenmann voted aye. Mr. Duvall voted nay.

PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Diane Wiley, Belvedere Neighborhood President said we are having a Harvest Time pop-up shop at Gunter’s Chapel Baptist Church, 1631 Windover Street, on October 29, 2022 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. We will have food vendors, bounce houses, games, and fellowship.

Ms. Susan McPherson, Columbia Chamber of Commerce Vice President of Public Policy & Military Affairs said on behalf of the chamber, the board, and our 1200 partners throughout the City of Columbia, thank you for your work to remove the parking requirements. This is going to be a tremendous help for moving the city forward for economic growth and help out our small



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businesses. It also gives us an opportunity to create a better environment for people to live, work, and play. This is supportive of the business friendly initiatives that you have enacted. On behalf of the business community, we will be honoring Chief Holbrook as the Public Servant of the Year. I can't tell you how deserving that is and thank you so much for all the work you and your team are doing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion made by Mr. Duvall and seconded by Dr. Bussells, Council voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 5:34 p.m. for the discussion of Items **38** and **39**.

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

- *Legislative Affairs*

39. Receipt of legal advice relating to a pending, threatened or potential claim – S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2)

- *Deliverance and Revival Center Church vs. City, et al.*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Erika D. Moore Hammond, CMC
City Clerk